

BRITISH TO CONFER WITH ALLIES BEFORE REPLYING TO PRESIDENT WILSON'S NOTE; ENGLISH PRESS STARTLED BY PROPOSAL

Parliament Prorogued; Neither Note Nor German Peace Proposal Mentioned In The King's Address

London, Dec. 22.—The British government will make no statement at the present time in regard to President Wilson's peace note, considering it a question that can be dealt with only in communication with the other members of the Entente. Announcement to this effect was made in the House of Commons today by Andrew Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer and government leader in the house.

Mr. Law was asked whether a statement could be made regarding the American note. He replied:

"It must be obvious to the House that this is a question that can only be dealt with after communication with our allies and that it is absolutely impossible to make a statement now."

London, Dec. 22.—In official and diplomatic circles in London, it was generally predicted today that President Wilson's note to the belligerents would be made by an identical reply from the Entente Powers. This method of answering the note will differ from the reply to be made by the Entente nations to the German peace note in which it is understood that while agreeing to the general principles, each member of the Entente will be free to express any individual views which they may feel desirable to utter.

But for the foregoing reason it is hardly likely there will be an early reply to President Wilson's note as it is expected full consultations between diplomats of the Entente countries will take place before a formal answer is made.

London, Dec. 22.—Parliament was prorogued this afternoon without the members being given any further information regarding President Wilson's note or what action the government contemplated with respect to it.

Neither the note nor the German peace proposal was mentioned in the king's speech, read in both houses. The only reference to the president's suggestion was made by Andrew Bonar Law, the government leader, in a reply to a question by Sir William Pollard Boyles, a pacifist member. Mr. Law declared that the question was one which could not be dealt with except in communication with the allies.

The speech from the throne was one of the briefest on record. It expressed confidence in the ultimate victory of the allies and the determination to prosecute the war until "we have vindicated the rights so ruthlessly violated by our enemies and established the security of Europe on a sure foundation."

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Buffalo Bill Continues III

TO SUCCEED ARCHBOLD

New York, Dec. 22.—A. C. Bedford was today elected president of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, to succeed the late John D. Archbold. Mr. Bedford has for some years been vice president and treasurer of the company.

Denver, Colo., Dec. 22.—Colonel William Cody, Buffalo Bill, is seriously ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. May Decker, in Denver. He is suffering from a nervous breakdown. He is 70 years old.

The Young Lady Across the Way

GERMAN U-BOAT IS SUNK

Paris, Dec. 22.—The German submarine U-45 has been sunk by destroyers according to a Nantes dispatch. The U-45 recently sank steamers of Safat Nazaire.

Says Reports Exaggerated

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—An official report to the state department today from the American consul at Malta, said that the British horse ship St. Ursula, bound from Saloniki to Montreal, in ballast, with six Americans in the crew, was sunk without warning by a torpedo from a submarine of unknown nationality, on December 12th. Two officers reported seeing the wake of the submarine and its periscope but not its flag. The survivors, including six Americans, were landed in Malta, six hours afterward. Four men are still missing.

The state department has ordered the investigation.

Villistas Attack Torreon

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 22.—Ferdinand Villa's forces began an attack on Torreon this morning, was said to be in progress at noon.

HOW THE BRITISH PRESS VIEWS WILSON'S NOTE

London, Dec. 22.—The Globe gives a secondary place to its comment upon President Wilson's note, which is made in a satirical vein under the heading:

"WHAT IS THE MATTER WITH HIM?"

"We sincerely hope President Wilson is not unwell." "Yet we find ourselves gravely doubtful as to his physical well-being."

The newspaper proceeds to ask if the president has never heard of what the Germans did in Belgium and Serbia and confesses that it finds itself unable to believe he knows these things when he "describes the Central Powers as desirous of securing small states against aggression." The high cost of living is said to be hitting the average American citizen very hard indeed, which may account in some measure for the milk of human kindness in the presidential coconut."

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The Star, in its comment, says:

"PRESIDENT WILSON'S NOTE IS A CHRISTMAS BOMB SHELL"

"It comes as a complete surprise to us. Let us say at once

that the allies in general and Great Britain, in particular, ought to treat it with the most sympathetic respect, and give it most friendly, most careful consideration.

"Mr. Wilson is one of the greatest presidents of one of the greatest nations of the world. He stands for the things that we, as a nation, believe in. His ideals are our ideals. We gladly give his words the hearing due to a friend speaking in behalf of friends."

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The Pall Mall Gazette:

SHARPLY CRITICIZES THE PRESIDENT

"To revive a term once familiar in American politics," it affirms, "he assumes the attitude of a 'Know-Nothing'. He does not realize that he makes the blood of every honorable man in Europe boil when he professes inability to distinguish between the objects and professions of the two sides."

"The president is as unlofty as he is high-minded. His zeal for humanity has evoked a step that will create the bitterest resentment among all who are fighting, working and dying for the very principles he has at heart."

MAY MAKE KNOWN CHIEF PEACE TERMS

London, Dec. 22.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, says it is announced semi-officially that should the Entente Allies in their reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers leave the door open for negotiations, Germany will make known her chief peace terms immediately.

IMPORTANT POINT IN EGYPT CAPTURED BY BRITISH FORCES

FIVE PERISH IN MASONIC HOME FIRE

(The following review of the day's events in the European war is compiled by experts at the Associated Press office in New York from dispatches and information received through various reliable sources of their command.)

New York, Dec. 22.—While winter weather is causing military operations on most of the fighting fronts to lack features of interest, considerable activity is developing in sectors far enough south to admit of energetic campaigning.

On the Tigris, the British, after a long period of quiet, have recently pushed forward close to Kut-el-Amara on the south and are continuing to attack the Turkish forces in that region, evidently in the hope of resuming their long delayed march toward Bagdad.

Now another field of activity is demanding attention with today's announcement from London that British forces have captured El Arish in Egypt, on the Mediterranean 90 miles east of the Suez canal.

Little has been heard from the Egyptian operations for some time, but the British are known to have been making somewhat elaborate preparations to protect the canal region from further incursions such as that of last summer and their defensive lines have been pushed far out on the Sinai

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CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY

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London, Dec. 22.—Lloyd's reports the sinking of the British steamship Itonus. The Itonus, 340 tons gross, was owned in Melbourne. She was in the service of the British government.

Street Sales Go To Newsboys

Tomorrow (Saturday) The Times will give to the little chaps who sell the Noon Extra edition of the paper all of the money they take in for the Extras, as a Christmas gift. Each will be given his normal number of papers without charge, and each is privileged to keep all of the money he takes in. So if any of their customers wish to add a penny or more to the price usually paid, we are sure that the Newsboys will appreciate it. Lads who sell the evening edition on the street, will also be entitled to the same arrangement.

INDICTED FOR DUMPING MILK

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22.—Six farmers living at Solon, near here, were indicted by the county grand jury today for dumping milk in the embargo war which is in progress here between the northern Ohio Producers' Association and Cleveland distributors. Milk enroute to the city was intercepted and dumped according to the charges. Hundreds of gallons of milk have been destroyed by this means, distributors charge.

BUOYANT RECOVERIES IN STOCKS

New York, Dec. 22.—Buoyant recoveries of from three to over ten points at the opening of today's stock market prompted by the overnight developments in the peace situation, caused a hurried covering of short commitments and a strong tone throughout the forenoon session.

There was a pronounced change of sentiment in all issues, attributed in a measure to a clearer view of the intent of President Wilson to the belligerent powers, and to Secretary Lansing's second explanatory statement published after the close of the market yesterday. Banking interests regarded today's movement as a logical reaction from the recent market excesses and continued to urge caution, reinforcing this requirement by a month to come.

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10c Columbia Tonight

GEORGE KLEINE PRESENTS

Thomas Santschi

One of the greatest of all motion picture stars in

"The Country That God Forgot"

A master picture production in five thrilling reels
Everybody will remember THOMAS SANTSCHI for his wonderful work in "THE SPOILERS." You will recall him in his famous fight with William Farnum in that great picture

10c TOMORROW, SATURDAY 10c

Gladys Hulette in "The Shine Girl"

One of the kind of pictures you like to see on Saturday

Leg Amputated

J. J. Marsh, a well known mineral water manufacturer, had his right leg amputated above the knee at Hennepin Hospital, Friday.

Mr. Marsh withstood the surgical operation nicely, going back to bed in good shape. He had been suffering with an internal constitutional disturbance for several years past and recently developed gangrene.

KITCHEN CABINETS

\$14.00 up to \$46.00
Thirty one samples to select from. Come, we can suit you.

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Miss Edith Cyrus, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Cyrus, of 1330 Grandview avenue, who has been quite ill, is improving.

Hamilton People Now Find Dosing No Longer Necessary

For Croup and Cold Troubles They Just Apply Vick's VapoRub Well Over Throat and Chest, and Cover with a Warm Flannel Cloth.

The Body Warmth Releases Medicated Vapors that are Inhaled, With Each Breath, All Night Long.

A few winters ago, when Vick's VapoRub was first introduced in Hamilton, Ohio, the local druggists presented complimentary jars to a few of their customers, and requested that this preparation be given a thorough trial and the results reported. We give below extracts from a few of these reports.

Mr. Fred Garver, 538 N. 7th Street, reports:

VICK'S VAPORUB SALVE

Just In

LARGE CONSIGNMENT

Silk Mufflers

Silk Shirts

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Silk Hosiery

Pajamas

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The above arrived today by express, absolutely the newest and best

LATE SHOPPERS

Can fill their wants here with absolute satisfaction and with little effort.

MAKE HIM HAPPY WITH A HAAS PRESENT

That label carries with it genuine goodness

ALWAYS SOMETHING NEW

Haas.
WATCH MY WINDOWS

Sympathy Racket Is Failure; Police News

The efforts of J. A. Dressler, an aged Wheelersburg citizen, to work the "old soldier" sympathy racket on Mayor Kaps, failed in police court Friday morning.

It was the aged man's second appearance in a fortnight. Officer Donley found him at East Portsmouth Friday at 3 a. m. "You were out either late or very early for an old man," said the mayor. Although a partly filled flask of whiskey was found on him Mr. Dressler insisted he was not drunk as charged. "I'll admit I took a nip or two," said he.

"Then it is only a difference of opinion between you and the officer," suggested the mayor.

Mr. Dressler said he had come to town during the afternoon and gone to Ironton in the evening on the traction line but on the return trip was put off at the wrong place and got lost.

"There's one question I would like to ask you, Is your father John or Peter Kaps?" said he. "Peter Kaps, five dollars for intoxication," replied the mayor, ending the interview although the old fellow still boasted of his

acquaintance with the court's father and declared his intention of paying him a visit on his coming trip to Florida, where Mr. Kaps resides.

A stevedore giving the name of Joseph Hughes was fined \$10 and costs for beating his wife with a chair at their home No. 2414 Gallia street late Thursday night.

Tom Moore, who when questioned by Officer Gore, as to where he had gotten the coffee and creamery butter which he tried to sell at Chas. Ziegler's saloon told the patrolman it was none of his business, was fined \$5 for drunkenness. The fine was suspended pending good behavior.

A foreigner giving the name of Peter Stannago, of New Boston, and another plain drunk claiming to be H. L. Brown were fined \$5 each.

Rustus Hodge was ordered dismissed from custody as soon as he reimbursed Mrs. Sam Cutlip to the extent of \$2. She had given him that amount for a load of coal but instead he appropriated the money to his own use.

ADDRESS ONE CARE THE TIMES

Surprises comes in bunches at times. At least, Attorney B. F. Kimble firmly believes that they do.

Thursday afternoon Attorney Kimble received word from an old friend at Manchester stating that he was sending him a big turkey for Christmas. Friday

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M. W. of A. Will Give Benefit Show At Lyric

Portsmouth Camp No. 3993 M. W. of A. meets tonight to confer the ceremonies of initiation on a class of candidates. Final arrangements for the picture show to be given at the Lyric Saturday night for the benefit of the degree team will be completed at this meeting. The two special reels for the lodge will be shown in addition to the regular show. Tickets sold by lodge members will be good at the Lyric all next week although the special pictures will not be shown.

OLD XMAS CUSTOM AT ALL SAINTS

The choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist will be sung as usual in All Saints' church on Christmas eve and the parish will pursue its custom during the past seven years of honoring the birth of the infant Saviour in the way most in accord with the practice of the church. Sir Walter Scott alludes to the custom of a celebration of the Eucharist on Christmas Eve in these words: "On Christmas eve the bells were rung."

On Christmas eve the Mass was sung, That only night in all the year Saw the stoled priest the chalice rear.

The church will be appropriately and beautifully decorated for the occasion and the service will be rendered by the vested choir under the direction of Mrs. S. L. Rice. A feature of the service will be the singing of Christmas carols. The full program of the music will appear in connection with the usual notice of services published tomorrow. The service on Christmas Eve will commence at 11:15 p. m., and will last about one hour. The public is cordially invited to the old parish church on this occasion. All who have

YOUR COLD is Relieved

will be easily relieved by taking a spoonful of

SCOTT'S EMULSION

after each meal. It fortifies the throat and chest while it enriches the blood to help avoid grippe, bronchitis and even pneumonia. Scott's is well worth insisting upon.

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL
OUR FRIENDS—EVERYBODY!

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SOMETHING!
Well, Then Get

Slippers

We have the largest and best assorting line in the city—slippers for every member of the family. Come and get a pair. Prices very reasonable and the quality absolutely the best.

We Give Gold Bond Coupons—Ask for Them

CHAS. W. WEIDNER

Distel Block

614 Chillicothe St.

For the ladies and misses we are showing a beautiful line of coats, suits, dresses, waists, skirts and corsets in a range of prices from seventy-five cents to \$50.00.

We have suits, overcoats, hats, trousers, rain coats, Mackinaws and sweaters in a range of prices from \$1.00 to \$25.00. These are things that will be really appreciated.

Have It Charged.

The Wien Store

Home of
Quality
and Style

SOCIETY

Mr. and Mrs. John L. Grimes and baby, of Wheeling, W. Va., are here to spend Xmas with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bauer and Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Grimes.

The Progress Club will hold a winter picnic New Year's night at the home of Miss Naomie Foley, on Grandview avenue.

R. B. Stokley, assistant division engineer of the Big Four road at Mount Carmel, Ill., will arrive tonight to visit his relatives over Christmas.

Dee York will arrive home Sunday morning from Annapolis to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond D. York, and will return to Annapolis Xmas night.

Miss George Sells, who has been making her home with Mrs. John King, on New Sixth street, left last evening for Arizona to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Goetz will have as guests at dinner Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Roy Prather.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Miller Adair (Hazel Drew) will arrive Saturday evening to spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Drew.

Mr. and Mrs. George Marting and children are coming this evening from Columbus to spend the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Marting.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Hayes, of Coventry, N. J., are here to spend Christmas with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bates.

Mr. William Ware and daughter, Miss Marie Ware, and Mrs. Samuel Townsend are at home from a short visit in Cincinnati.

D. A. McIntosh will come up from Cincinnati to spend Christmas with friends.

Miss Marguerite Dawson arrived home last night from Miami University, Oxford.

Will Hold
Bake Sale

Members of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Allen Chapel A. M. E. church will hold a bake sale all day Saturday at the William McCombs grocery on Eleventh street.

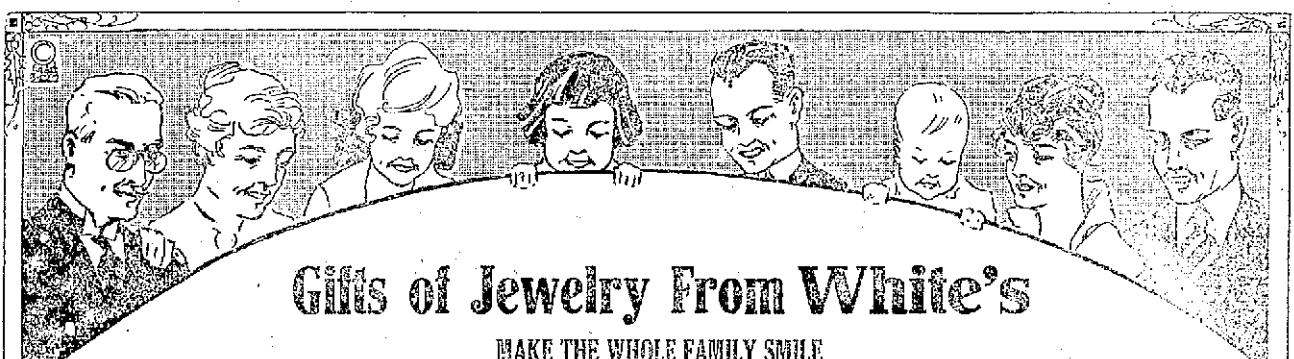
The fellow who didn't know it was "dead" is like the theorist who never knows when his theory is going to explode.

XMAS SPECIALS
Dressed Chickens 20 to 25c
Dressed Turkey Give us your order now.

1 pound Roast Pot Cheese 80c
1 lb. solid Oysters 43 and 50c
1 dozen sweet Oranges 20 and 30c
1 pound new Nuts 12 1/2 to 25c
1 pound pure Candy 12 1/2 to 20c

All the fruits and vegetables, lettuce, celery, cranberries, cherries, peaches, fresh rabbit, country sausages, sparries, butter and eggs. Phone us your orders early.

J. J. BRUSHART,
The Cash Grocer



Gifts of Jewelry From White's

MAKE THE WHOLE FAMILY SMILE

624 Second Street.

Quality the Highest for 44 Years

Order that case of delicious
"CRYSTAL GOLD" beer for your
Christmas dinner now. Call the
Brewery. Phone 94, for prompt
delivery.

The light of the sun is doubled times
greater than the full moon.

37 Presents Donated For The First "1917" Baby

broom, to mother a carpet
broom, to dad a clothes
broom.

The Conger Printing Co.,
of Front street, will donate
a number of birth announcements
for the first 1917 baby.

George Ahrend, Chillicothe
street haberdasher, will
present dad with a fine \$3
hat.

M. Lehman & Bros., will
give baby his or her first pair
of shoes.

John Moeller, Gallia street
butcher, will give the parents
ten pounds of Armour Star
ham.

Mrs. S. A. Ingles, of 933
Third street, couple of pair
of white crocheted booties.

I. Quasser, of Third street,
new goose feathers for a
baby's feather bed and small
pillows.



DOES SHE THINK OF THAT DRINK?
DOES SHE DREAM OF THAT CREAM?
DOES SHE WISH FOR A DISH?
WELL, SO IT WOULD SEEM!

George
Freund
DRUGGIST
Gallia and Clinton Streets

STORE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK

Christmas Shopper's Headquarters!

For all kinds of useful gifts
Knit Goods Umbrellas
Silks and all Novelties

Rosery

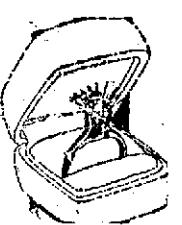
Handkerchiefs
A. Brunner & Sons
909-911 Gallia St.

Philip Fricke, Seiptoville
agent Watkins Medicine Co.,
bucket of flowers for the
mother.

Eleventh Hour Gift Selections

A beautiful diamond ring outshines and outlasts all other gifts. The utmost care and discrimination should be used in the purchase of so valuable and so important a gem. Our many, many years of successful business and honest dealing is your guarantee of best values.

Special Values in Diamond Rings at
\$25.00, \$50.00, \$75.00, \$100.00



See Them In Our Windows

Wrist Watches

The convenience, practicability and attractiveness of wrist or bracelet watches make them particularly desirable and fully justify their popularity.

Our customers tell us we have the largest selection of these watches in the city. We show them in solid gold and gold filled, with extension bracelets, in round, square, octagon and oval in yellow, green, white gold and platinum. Plain and engraved. Prices ranging from \$8.00 to \$100.00 with special values in Elgin Bracelet Watches at \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00. See them in our windows.

STORE OPEN EVERY NIGHT TILL XMAS

eJ. F. Carr

JEWELER
OPTICIAN

THE HAZLEBECK CO.

General Insurance
319 Gallia St. Phone 70

MASONIC TEMPLE

Calvary Commandery No. 13 will meet Christmas Day at 10:30 a. m. to answer to the toast offered by the Eminent Grand Commander of Ohio and for other business.

Calvary Commandery No. 13, K. T. will confer the Red Cross degree Tuesday, December 26, at seven o'clock.

Classified Ad. Rates

Classified advertisements per word each insertion.

One Cent

No advertisement accepted under any classification for less than 15 cents. No advertisement containing less than 15 words.

Fees for advertisements in this department must be in no later than 3 days when received. Copy is held at least day's issue.

Advertisers prompt and collections made by regular newsboy carriers each day.

Notice of insertion insertion notice must be given immediately after first insertion, either in calling at office or by telephone.

CLASSIFIED DEPARTMENT
Phone 446.

WANTED

WANTED—Man with family who could keep a few boarders, to move into house of 7 rooms, and also has one or more teams of horses. Phone 42-R. Scioto-ville, 4. L. Prather, 22-11.

WANTED—Young man about 5 ft. 8 in. inches tall, weight 135 lbs. to say hand tailored suit; never worn; bargain. 610 6th,erville, 22-11.

NOTICE—Repairing upholstery and refinishing. Call 1872-Y. 21-11.

NOTICE—For any delivery call Everett Arts, Phone 1556-X. 21-11.

For Jitney service phone 737. 5-11.

WANTED—Traveling representative, energetic gentleman with \$1,000 to secure lucrative position, money doubled daily; your money secure. Call 923-4th. 16-11.

WANTED—Government wants men women, \$100.00 month. Scholastic Portsmouth examination dates free. Franklin Institute, Dept. 333-W, Rochester, N. Y. No. 13-55-55-F.

WANTED—Experienced girl for general housework, good wages, light party. Phone 862-X or 15-151 Grant St. 15-11.

NOTICE—For prompt package delivery, phone 464-Y. Dick 15-151 Grant St. 15-11.

WANTED—Girl for general housework, Apply 1531 Mead, 15-152-L. 11-11.

WANTED—Second hand furniture and stores. 1624 29th. Phone 1180-Y. 5-11.

NOTICE—10 men on pipe line at Wheeler's Mills, 25 cents each. Fairbanks-Morse Co. 15-151. 15-11.

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CHRISTMAS CANDIES BY THE TON

All Home Made
Pure, Sweet
And wholesome

Candies in Bulk
20c, 25c, 30c, 40c,
50c, 60c, 80c
Per Pound

Greatest line of box candy
in the city
25c, 30c, 40c, 50c, 80c, \$1,
\$1.50 up to \$10.00

Boxes delivered to
any part of the city

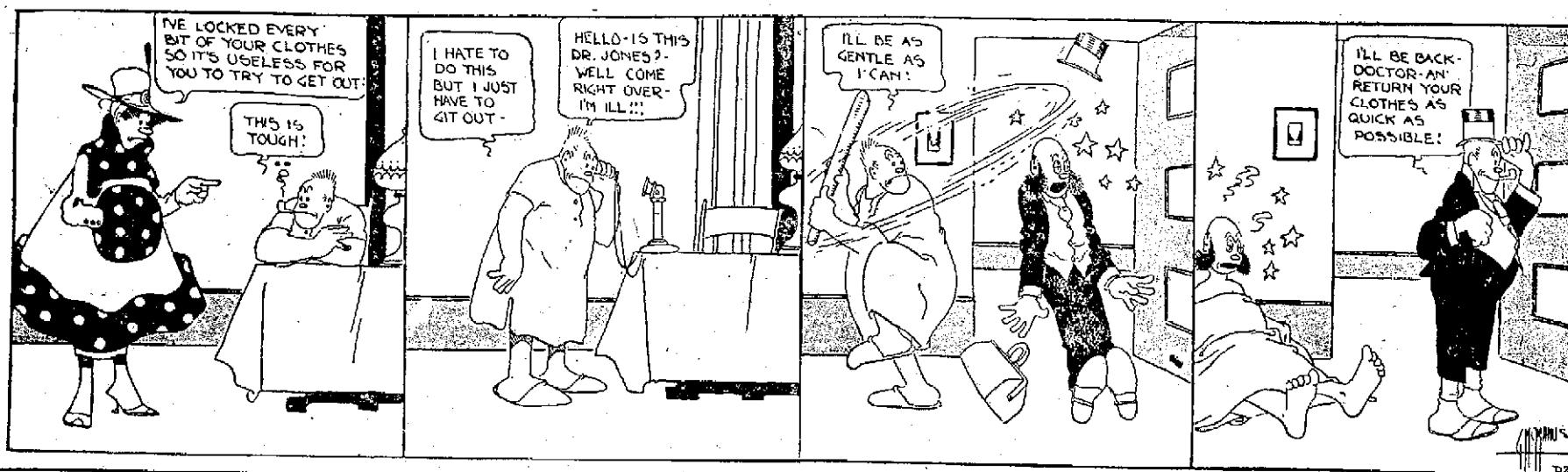
SPECIAL FOR XMAS

Finest of chocolates, assorted, 5
pound box, for
only \$2.50

MALAVAZOS
Home of pure candy. :: Fifth and Chillicothe Sts.

BRINGING UP FATHER

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By GEORGE McMANUS

celery and cake. Each case reported to the Salvation Army is investigated before the family is given a basket. The families having sickness and widows are given first attention. A record is made of each call for help and the persons or family given a number, which is also entered with their name. A close record is kept of all calls for help and when a family is given help the number of the ticket they have must correspond with their number on the Army record book. This is done so that no tickets can be stolen from needy families and the baskets given to persons not entitled to them, even if they do hold a ticket.

CLEVELAND
IN GRIP OF
A BLIZZARD

Cleveland, O., Dec. 22.—The worst blizzard of the year and one of the worst in many years, struck Cleveland and vicinity early today. Swept by a 48-mile-an-hour gale, several inches of snow drifted into steam and interurban railway tracks, making it difficult to move. Trains, boats,lets, and handicapping city electric lines. Fears for the safety of any lake steamer which might have been caught off their guard were expressed though no definite information that any were out was obtainable. The temperature was 26 above zero.

Street Newsies To Get All Of
Proceeds Of Tomorrow's Sales

The bright-eyed, ruddy-cheeked little merchants who always rush breathlessly out Chillicothe street and then through the city, carrying to

you the very latest news in the form of the Noon Extra, are expecting a gala day Saturday. For on this day all of the proceeds of their sales will be presented to them as a

Christmas gift. This has been an annual custom.

Not only will the army of Noon Extra newsies get the proceeds from the sale of the Saturday Noon Extra but the lads who sell The Times on the street each evening will also get the proceeds of their sales.

Not one penny will be turned in at The Times office from the street sales by the boys. Each lad will be supplied with his normal number of papers. Anyone desiring to give them more than the price of the Extra or the evening edition will certainly be remembered by the boys and appreciated.

We still have a nice line of Xmas goods from which to select gifts consisting of fancy boxed candies, perfume, cigars, stationery, flashlights, thermos bottles, French ivory goods, safety razors, etc. Bushaw's Pharmacy, 11th and Clay Sts. Phone 1500. It

Order that case of delicious "CRYSTAL GOLD" beer for your Christmas dinner now. Call the Brewery. Phone 94, for prompt delivery. 20-4

"Preparedness is a fad with her." "It's not so?" "Yes; she even sets the breakfast table the night before."—Detroit Free Press.

The Great American
Model Builder

This is the toy of all toys for the children of your household. Every time they play with it they learn something. It develops the mind and trains the child to build. Every model works but every child enjoys doing it.

This is a toy of which the children never tire.

The American Model Builder comes in different sizes and they all work together.

Get the boy an American Model Builder and it will keep him employed at home on Saturdays and of evenings.

Prices 50c Up



The Anderson Bros. Co.

HALL BROS.
Christmas Order

The Ideal Gift For Men

Usually many firms and individuals present these orders to their employees and friends at the holiday season.

It is one of the most satisfactory means for solving the question of "Gifts for Men."

Orders issued for any amount from 50 cents and up. Can be redeemed at any time.

HALL BROS.

Masonic Temple

Chillicothe and Fourth

Community Service
Fund Reaches \$12,000

Over twelve thousand dollars have been subscribed to the fund which is being raised for the Bureau of Community Service, according to R. E. Thomas, secretary of the board of trade.

It was originally planned to raise ten thousand dollars, and over \$11,000 was subscribed during the three days of the campaign. In order to increase the scope of the work and to allow all local citizens to assist in this worthy movement, W. W. Anderson, chairman of the general committee, announced that the organization would endeavor to get \$15,000.

Subscriptions are coming in each day. After Christmas the Bureau will organize permanently.

Will Open
Bids

At the regular meeting of the board of education tonight at 7:30 o'clock bids will be opened for the new McKinley school that is to be erected on Kinney's Lane at an estimated cost of \$55,000. Contracts for the general construction and heating, ventilating and plumbing will be let providing a satisfactory bid is submitted.

If you have a room which is not occupied you should be using TIMES WANT ADS.

Manufacturers Will Meet

The sixth annual convention of G. Bryan and Frank M. Baggs, the Ohio Manufacturers' Association, will be held at the Dresher Hotel, Columbus, January 18 and 19, according to Frank M. Baggs, known banker of New York City Governor James M. Cox, of Ohio; S. M. Hastings, president of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association; Dr. W. H. Allen, director of the Bureau of Public Service.

Among those who expect to attend the convention as representatives from Portsmouth are: Dr. E. E. Watson, attorney for the Ohio Industrial Commission; and B. E. Williamson, U. S. George D. Selby, John Peebles, internal revenue collector, are John E. Williams, Frederick E. among those who will deliver Fieger, Frank V. Knauss, Robert speeches at the convention.

Banks Will Close

The First National bank, the Central National bank, the Security Savings and Trust Company, the Ohio Valley bank and the Portsmouth Banking Com-

pany will close Saturday noon, it was announced Friday.

Saturday evening at seven o'clock, the banks will open for two hours for the convenience of their respective customers.

Xmas Baskets

Close to fifty Christmas baskets helped to make the Christmas basket will be given out to the poor and less fortunate this year a success. On account of Captain Ida Raymond receiving serious burns and by Captain Cleveland delivering a number of baskets sending Christmas cheer work was started later than usual. A number of regular contributors to the Salvation Army were not called day.

Many contributions and donations have been made this season by the good merchants and people of Portsmouth, and Captain Cleveland wishes to extend his thanks to all who milk, sugar, coffee, bread, butter, W. Byron.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Jackson Smith, 21, farmer, Shultz, Ky., to Cornie McKenzie, 18; Squire John W. Byron.

Walter Rulstan, 23, farmer, Rarden, to Ora Scott, 18; Mr. Joy, Squire John W. Byron.

Arthur Smith, 26, farmer, Seitz Postoffice, to Anna Munyon, 21; Seitz Postoffice, Squire John W. Byron.

Last Call To Late Shoppers

Voelker Still Has a Good
Selection

STORE OPEN TONIGHT TILL 9 O'CLOCK

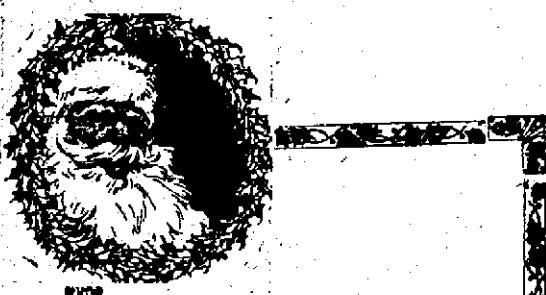
STORE OPEN SATURDAY NIGHT TILL 9 O'CLOCK

Everything For The Late Xmas Buyer

VOELKER'S

East End Gift Store

11th Near Lawson



If in Doubt, Give Her Furs!

Furs Are A Woman's Idol and Make Ideal Gifts!

The warmth of friendship will grow space 'twixt the recipient and yourself if you give furs, for in them dwells the true spirit of Christmas. Can you think of a more practical remembrance than a set or a muff for her?

Women recognize style in furs "quick as a wink". So be sure that those you give are authentic and she is not easily deceived in quality. Don't let her find your gift lacking in these essential virtues. Buy Furs for gifts where both style and quality are warranted.

(See Window Display)

The Fashion
GALLIA AND GAY

Exclusive Shop

A. KLINE, Manager



She is here to answer any and all questions concerning love, matrimony, troubles, woes, etiquette, etc. Inquiries should be addressed to Miss Dolly Wise, care The Daily Times, Portsmouth, O. Office Phone 60.

snow-covered ground; use min. work or worry attached to it, would advise you to send your squirrel to Louis Haller, Vine street, Cincinnati, Ohio, and have it mounted.

Don't remove a thing from the tree until the candles are extinguished.

Don't let the tree stand long after Christmas, for when dry it is doubly dangerous.

It is not difficult to obey these rules. Neither enjoyment nor money will be lost by their observance, and lives and property will be protected if they are obeyed. It is better to be safe than sorry, and the "wise" will follow these rules.

UNDECIDED. I do not think you would be happy living with his mother. If you wait two or three years he may be able to make a home for you somewhere else.

Dear Miss Wise.—There is a boy who lives near me and he wants to go with me. He has been after me three times inside of a week and I have told him that I do not want to have anything to do with him. But he still comes. Please tell me what to tell him so that he won't come back anymore.

MABEL. Have your father tell the boy not to bother you any more!

Dear Miss Wise.—You may think this is a foolish question, but I would like to know what

GREETINGS FROM THE EAST END

Are you going to celebrate Dec. 25th, this year, or by bestowing a few tokens of remembrance upon loved ones and dear dear friends celebrate Christmas?

If the latter, a perusal of the following list may aid you in making a selection.

Cut Glass \$1.00 to \$20

Fine China \$5.00 to \$25

Cameras \$2.00 to \$25

Safety Razors \$1.00 to \$5

Manicure Sets \$1.50 to \$8

Toilet Sets \$1.00 to \$10

Meerschaum Pipes \$3.50 to \$6

Model Builders \$2.50 to \$10

Pocket Knives \$2.50 to \$3

Perfumes \$2.50 to \$2

Perfume Atomizers \$1.50 to \$2

Bath Towels \$2.50 to \$2

DOLLS \$5.00 to \$2

Pocket Books \$2.50 to \$2

Cigars (hox) \$1.00 to \$4

Curf Buttons \$2.50 to \$2

Tie Pins \$2.50 to \$1

Boys' Watches \$2.25 to \$2

Electric Trains \$4

Games \$2.50 to \$3

Books \$10.00 to \$1

Box Paper \$2.50 to \$1

Ivy Hat Bottles \$1.25 to \$5

Fountain Pens \$2.00 to \$10

Carving Sets \$2.50 to \$8

Bicycles \$10.00 to \$25

CARLOOS, the beautiful popular Musical Cabinet \$15.00

Magazine Subscriptions.

Cash Register Coupons will be accepted in payment for holiday goods.

1909

A NEW COAT DRESS FOR
MISSSES AND SMALL WOMEN

1909—This model is ideal for the new Fall serges and gabardines and would be real smart in velvet, satin, corduroy or taffeta. The dress has wide portions, beneath which the dress is plaited. Its fullness is confined at the waistline by a broad belt. Janty shaped cuffs and pockets, and a smart sailor collar, complete to a very stylish effect. Added to that is the fact that this model is comfortable and practical.

The Pattern is cut in 4 sizes: 14, 16, 18 and 20 years. Size 16 requires 6 yards of 34-inch material. The dress measures about 3 yards at the foot.

A pattern of this illustration mailed to any address on receipt of 10 cents in silver or stamps.

COUPON

This pattern will be sent on receipt of 10 cents. Make number, name, address, etc. plain. Send to Pattern Department, Portsmouth Daily Times, Portsmouth, Ohio.

No. 1909 Size Age (for child)

Street and Number State

Name State

City State



color is green soap? GRACE.
Green soap is yellow.

To "wish the passerby a Merry Christmas", residents of various neighborhoods and communities in the city are making plans to burn candles in the windows of their homes, Christmas eve. The custom, said to have originated in Ireland many years ago, has been observed more generally there and in England than in America, until recently, when many cities have adopted it, one of the prettiest practices of the Yuletide season.

In many parts of the city last Christmas eve the candles were noticed burning in the windows, and it is expected that the various neighborhoods and streets will again follow same custom this year. If you haven't any candles, light up anyway.

SOCIETY

A Christmas house party will be held at the home of William Biggs, in Greenup, Ky., where the guests will be Misses Barbara Phipps, Margaret Hayes and Elizabeth Doty; Misses Ossie Hayes and Harry Campbell, all of Ironton. Other guests will be included in the party during Xmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Thompson, Cincinnati, will arrive in the city Sunday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thompson, 1132 Eighth street.

Mrs. Charles Howland and son, William Lee, will leave Saturday for Alexandria, O., to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Laycock. Mrs. Howland and son will remain in Alexandria while Mr. Howland is in New York City on a business trip.

Music at Cincinnati to spend the holidays.

John H. Lange, of the state banking department, and Mrs. Lange are expected to arrive from Columbus tonight to spend Christmas with relatives and friends.

Of local interest the Irontonian says:

"Allison Abel came home from Columbus Wednesday evening to spend Christmas with his parents.

He is a student at the O. S. U. But he dropped off at Portsmouth on his way.

Miss Fary Davis will arrive home Saturday from the Conservatory of

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Basket Ball Meeting

An important meeting of all basketball players in the city interested in a City Basketball League has been called at the Club on Fourth street tonight at 7:30 o'clock. Plans for securing a basketball floor or gymnasium to revive the sport in Portsmouth.

SUNDAY AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday will be a big day at the First Presbyterian church, with possibly the best musical program ever rendered in the old church. In the morning the following program has been announced by the chorister:

Solo, "The Angels' Anthem"—Schnecker, by Mrs. Roy Lynn.

Quartet, "Christian Awake,"—Brackett—Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Storch, Messrs. Boyd and Schwartz.

Solo, "Noel"—Adam—Mrs. P. H. Magee.

The evening service will be mostly musical, with a short Christmas message by the pastor, Rev. M. S. Bush. The following splendid musical program has been arranged:

Solo, "The Angels' Message"—Willis—Mrs. Roy Lynn.

Quartet, "Glory to God in the Highest"—Mrs. Lynn, Mrs. Storch, tended to all to attend.

PARROT REFUSED TO LEARN FROM BOYS

If a poli parrot which Miss Hilda Strong, superintendent of Hempstead hospital, received by express from Cincinnati, Thursday, does not shock occupants of that institution with some rather uncouth language it will be no fault of a gang of South Portsmouth boys. While the bird was at the C. & O. depot awaiting transfer to the Ohio side these

youngsters worked overtime for an hour or more to teach it slang and cuss words. Polly, however, proved an unwilling pupil seemingly understanding that its future mistress would not countenance anything of the sort and there was one urchin in the crowd who vowed that the bird's resentful parting shot as it was started down the ferry road was "noung doing, smutties!"

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Court House

Confer On Highways
George H. Hill and Charles E. Worley, county commissioners, held a short conference with several delegates from the board of trade Friday afternoon, relative to the schedule which will be adopted for improving the county highways during the coming year. Nothing definite was decided upon.

Ealey Indictment Nolled
An indictment charging David Ealey, of near Ashland, Ky., with manslaughter, was nolled in common pleas court by Prosecuting Attorney Jos. T. Mickelthwait. Ealey was indicted on several counts several months ago in connection with an automobile accident which happened near Sevierville on May 16.

In this accident a woman named Anna Burgess and a baby called Grover Cleveland Adkins were instantly killed. Ealey was driving the car when it turned turtle. He was tried on one indictment, charging manslaughter and was acquitted.

State vs. Harrison
The case of the State against Holly Harrison will be heard in common pleas court Saturday morning by Judge E. E. Corn, of Ironton. Harrison is charged with carrying concealed weapons. Attorney D. K. Young represents the plaintiff.

Housley Sent To Jail
George Housley was given a



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Stewart's Cut Rate

Charles Marting, the appraisers. The report shows that the assets of the personal and real property amounts to \$18,767.06. In the partnership, which is known as the Wheelersburg Milling company, the defendant's share is valued at \$11,679.10.

York Partnership Report
The first and final report was made in the partnership of Thos. L. York and H. Hans. Friday, in probate court by Henry Ruel, who was recently appointed by Judge Thomas C. Beauty. The report shows receipts of \$5,206.96 from April to December and expenditures of \$364.63.

In Cincinnati

Attorney Harry W. Miller left Friday for Cincinnati to attend some legal matters pertaining to the case in bankruptcy of the Cincinnati Iron company, of that city.

Local Attorney In Case

To represent Nancy Hanks Scott, who has filed suit for divorce in the Lawrence county court of common pleas against Ralph Waldo Scott, citing as ground for the action adultery and extreme cruelty, Attorney S. Anselm Skelton went to Ironton Friday.

Judge Corn Presides

Judge E. E. Corn, Ironton, of the Lawrence county court of common pleas, came to this city Friday morning to preside on the local bench, during the absence of Judge Thomas, who was called to Peebles Thursday afternoon on account of the serious illness of his brother.

Mackoy Estate \$13,767.06

An inventory and appraisement of the estate of the late Myra E. Mackoy, Wheelersburg, was filed in probate court Friday by Jos. H. Brant, Ben Cranston and

cutting affray in Brewery Hill. Sheets went to the home of Martha Dowdy late on the evening of July 23 and became involved in an argument with the woman. A fight ensued during which Sheets cut the woman.

Judge Corn asked Prosecuting Attorney Jos. T. Mickelthwait to watch the future actions of the Dowdy woman and report the same to him. Martha Dowdy is a paroled prisoner from the reformatory.

Attorney George W. Sheppard represented the defendant.

Allowed Temporary Alimony

Temporary alimony in the sum of \$35 per month was allowed Matiel May, who recently filed suit in common pleas court against Arlos May, asking for alimony. Judge Corn, Ironton, allowed the temporary alimony. Blair and Kinable represented the plaintiff and Bannon and Bannon the defense.

Eight Applications

Eight applications for the appointment of county commissioner to fill the unexpired term of the late Thomas W. Watkins have been filed with the committee, which will have charge of the appointment.

Sheets was arrested following a

GRANTED TRANSFERS TO ELM GROVE

Dixie Smith, Nora Noel, Anna Schwartz, Elizabeth Schwartz, Sallie Killen, Corn Gray, Carrie Lauterman and Alma Hollbrook have been granted transfers from River City Grove W. O. W. Circle to Elm Grove W. O. W. Circle.

Schools Close For Week

The public schools closed Friday afternoon for the annual Christmas and New Years vacation. School will be resumed on Tuesday January 2. Christmas programs and entertainments were held in many of the grammar grades.

FALLS INTO A PIT; FRACTURES FEET

C. H. Lewis, a carpenter in the employ of the Dravo Construction company, New Boston, had several small bones in his feet fractured Friday afternoon, when he fell into a new soaking pit, which is being built at the Whitaker-Glessner company's plant. Lynn's ambulance was called and the injured man was removed to his home on Gallie street, this city.

The fractures were reduced by Drs. H. A. Schirrmann and W. D. Schafer.

TALKED ON FREE TEXT BOOKS

On account of bad weather there was only a fair attendance at the Jr. O. U. A. M. meeting Thursday evening. Attorney A. R. Campbell, Sr., of Vanceburg, Council of the Jr. O. U. A. M., gave a splendid and interesting talk on "Bible History." Mr. Campbell is a man well read on

the Bible and all present enjoyed his remarks. Vernon Smith, a young member of New Boston Council No. 288, made a talk on the free text book movement. Smith is a school teacher in the New Boston schools. C. C. Pruitt was elected by ballot and received into membership by card.

BARBER SHOPS OPEN XMAS MORNINGS

Charles Russell, secretary of the Journeymen Barbers' Union, announced Friday that all Union shops in the city would be open Christmas, Monday morning, un til 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Nancy Norton Scott Is Awarded A Divorce

Judge Grimes, of Jackson county, during a brief session of court at Ironton Friday granted a decree to Mrs. Nancy Hanks-Scott, wife of Ralph Scott, of Portsmith.

Mrs. Scott was also given custody of their only child, Richard Norton Scott, aged 3 years. The question of alimony was left to the attorneys, Anselm Skelton of Portsmouth for Mrs. Scott and L. R. Andrews of Ironton for Mr. Scott.

The divorce suit brought by

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Christmas

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Xmas

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A Word To The Late Shopper

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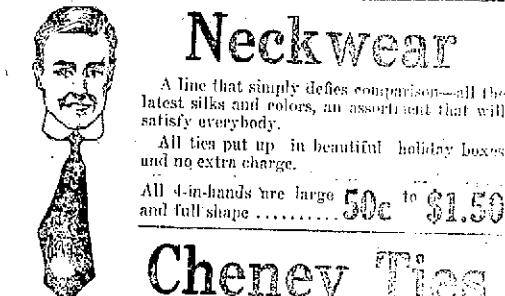
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THIRD AND CHILlicothe STREETS

P. H. S. Review Is Out

The first edition of the "P. H. S. Review" came off the high school press Friday and was distributed among the high school pupils who have been anxiously awaiting the first appearance of

the high school paper. It is printed in book form and will be issued once a month. The book continues on all high school students. W. B. Anderson, Jr., is editor in chief of the "Review."

Xmas Packages Left

Express messengers of N. & W. train No. 16 which arrived here Friday noon said that they were forced to leave behind 21 truck loads of Christmas boxes at Columbus that were consigned to Portsmouth, their various cars being packed to capacity.

Christmas Stationery

See our Christmas Crepe Paper
10 ft. long 8c; two for 15c

Gallia Street
The Busy Street



Saturday's Specials

1.00 Wine of Cardui	63c
50c King's New Discovery	34c
50c Pearless Kidney Pills	29c
\$1.00 Finney's Kidney Remedy for	59c
25c Edwards' Olive Tablets	14c
10c Edwards' Olive Tablets	6c
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BABY NEGLECTED, IS DEAD

Coroner Dr. J. W. Dasher was called to a shantyboat at the foot of the county infirmary Friday to investigate the death of the four-day-old son of Mrs. Annie Wagner, aged 27 years.

The child died Thursday noon but as no physician had attended the mother either before or after the birth, John Berndt, clerk of the board of health, refused to issue death certificate when a friend of the woman applied for the

same. Dr. Dasher found no marks of violence on the body or any evidence of foul play and returned a verdict that death was due to premature birth and lack of care.

Mrs. Wagner said she was a native of Mason county, Ky., and that she was married to Charles Wagner at Maysville last December but that she was unaware of his present whereabouts. The baby's body will be buried in the county infirmary graveyard.

TERMINALS

Roosevelt Watkins, N. & W. section laborer, who lives at Suffolk, Va., was assisting in unloading cinder from a car of work engine 935 at Waverly Thursday and the train moved ahead, causing him to fall, striking his right jaw on the ear, badly bruising it. He was taken to the camp car at Waverly and Dr. O. C. Andre was called and dressed his wounds.

C. E. Ault, N. & W. agent of Norwood will spend Christmas in Columbus with relatives.

Orville and Garland Booth, children of Mr. and Mrs. Benton Booth of Gallia street, left Friday for Virginia, where they will visit their grandmother, Mrs. Frank Booth.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rook, of Gallia street, is seriously ill with whooping cough.

Elbert Willis, of Gallia street, who is employed with the White

ker-Glessner company, left Friday for Garrison, Ky., where he will visit relatives during the Christmas holidays.

The East End M. E. church will hold its first quarterly meeting since the organization of the church, Saturday evening at 7:30. The district superintendent, Rev. J. B. Hawk, will have charge of the service. Rev. O. L. King is anxious that every member of the church plan to be present at this service as it will have an important bearing on the raising of funds for the new church building.

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Boy Scout News

Thursday Night's Games Four fast and interesting basketball games were played in Boy Scout circles last night with the following results:

Tigers, 21; Covenanters, 8; Reds, 12; All Stars 5. West End 11; Juniors, 1. Reds, 22; Evansville, 6.

The Tiger-Covenanter game was exceedingly interesting in the first half with Portier and Smith featuring for the winners. George and Englebrecht for the losers. The Reds put up two swell games and are in fine shape for the opener next week.

Troop Inspection Tonight Tonight is Inspection Night for Troop 2 at Trinity church. This troop will be inspected by the scout commissioner and the boys will also celebrate with a Christmas program. The meeting starts promptly at 7 o'clock. Let every member be out.

Basket Brigade Attention All scouts who are donating baskets for the needy are requested to be at Boys' Headquarters Saturday morning at 8:30, and not later than 9. The committee wishes to get all baskets delivered before noon.

CHRISTMAS PHOTOS

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Medium size .15c
Small size .10c

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Large glass jars, positively pure, better than home made, special .25c
Pure Jelly, per glass .10c

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Shredded Wheat, 2 boxes .25c
Krumbles, per package .9c
Washington Crisp, 3 boxes .25c
Kellogg's, 3 boxes .25c
Post Toasties, 3 boxes .25c
Puffed Wheat, per package .12c
Puffed Rice, per package .15c
Petite John Rolled Wheat .15c
Maple Flake, box .12c
Mother's Oats, box .9c
Quaker Oats, box .9c
American Beauty Oats .9c
Red Bird Oats, 3 boxes .25c

BEANS (NEW)

Navy Hand Picked, pound .15c
Marrowfat, pound .25c
Lima Beans, 2 pounds .25c
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Every egg guaranteed. Special per dozen, while they last .48c

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Sweet Pickles, bottle .10c
Large Jumbo, sour, per dozen .18c
Large, sweet, per dozen .12c

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Baker's 1-2 pound can .23c
Baker's 10c can .9c
Lowney's 1-2 pound can .23c
Lowney's 10c can .9c
Hershey's 1-2 pound can .19c
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Pure Apple Vinegar, special per gal. 20c

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Make a corn starch pudding for a change, it's cheap and it's good; special, 3 boxes for .25c

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Special for Today. 2 pounds fine fresh Coffee for .35c

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New Prunes, medium, per pound .15c
New Peaches, per pound .10c
New Raisins, per package .10c
New Currents, per package .15c
New Minced Meat, 3 packages .25c
New Citron, per pound .25c
New Rolled Oats, loose, per pound .5c
New Oat Meal, loose, per pound .5c
New Barley, loose, 2 pounds .15c
New Rice, broken, pound .5c
New Rice, California, 3 pounds .25c
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Large jars, each .25c

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Six boxes for .25c

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Good Luck Baking Powder, special, 3 cans for .25c
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For old chickens, 8 pounds for .25c

Buckwheat, four pounds .25c
Graham Flour, per pound .5c
Yellow Meal, 3 pounds .10c
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Good Corn, per can .10c
Best Corn, 2 cans .25c
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Good Peas, per can .10c
Best Tomatoes, 2 cans .25c
Asparagus .15 and 25c can
Kraut, per can .15c
Beets, 3 cans .25c
Pumpkin, 3 cans .25c
Pineapple .15 and 25c can
Blackberries, 2 cans .25c
Tuna Fish, potted, per can .10c

ARGO STARCH

6 small boxes for .27c
1 large 5 pound box .23c

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Loose 2 pounds .15c
6 small boxes .25c
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6 regular 5c rolls for .25c
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Good cookers and good eaters, special per peck .30c

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Red Bird Salmon, 2 cans .25c
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Oil Sardines, 6 boxes .27c
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Argo Salmon, 2 cans .35c
Kippered Herring, per box .10c

SYRUP

1-2 gallon Red American Beauty .25c
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Best Butter, per pound .12c
Jersey Butters, per pound .10c
Ginger Snaps, per pound .10c
Graham Wafers, per pound .12c
Pretzels, per pound .15c
Macaroon Snaps, per pound .18c
Cocoanut Cakes, per pound .18c

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English Walnuts, new nuts, per pound .25c
Peanuts, fresh roasted, per quart .10c

COD FISH

Cod Fish, per pound .15c
Also fish flakes, per box .10c

1912 CLASS WILL HOLD REUNION

Wednesday evening, December 27, the 1912 class of Portsmouth high school will hold a reunion at the home of Mrs. John Lowry on Offshore street. The class has not failed to hold a reunion each year since graduation.

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If you have not been attending

ask those who have. Something

is doing every Sunday. Next Sun-

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Each child present will be re-

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At six o'clock our Christmas

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Why not make Sunday the banner Sunday for the year in at-

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A fine treat for the children at 9 a. m. Special music, both instru-

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Mastropolo orchestra will be in

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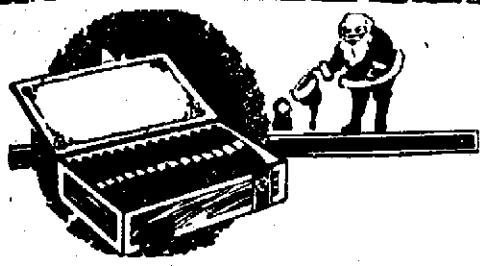
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The cast of characters is as follows:

Mildred, a child of the rich—Sarah Louise Walker.

Patty, a child of the poor—Grace Ruark.

Sparkle—Eleanor Swishelm.

Cedar—Virginia Blake.

Jack Frost—Gilbert Fuller.

Santa Claus—Walter Wood.

Snow Fairies—Chorus.

Evergreen Fairies—Chorus.

Holly Fairies—Chorus.

The cantata is to be given by the choirs numbering from

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Takes Job As Chef. Dave Reider resumed his former position as chef at the Palace restaurant Thursday, relieving Henry Deering, who has again taken up his regular duties as waiter.

Alspaugh

A large selection of Bugs at special prices.

Mr. Williams To Get Autos For Street Choir

Rev. George E. Horst, pastor of the Second Presbyterian church, who inaugurated the Christmas Eve choir, has named John E. Williams to look after the supplying of touring cars to carry the singers Sunday evening when they make their rounds to the different city, county, public and private institutions.

"The city hospital will not likely be included in our visits this year, as the singing was said to have disturbed the patients last year," said Rev. Horst, Friday. Not only will institutions be visited, but stops will be made on various street corners, two songs, "Holy Night" and "Joy to the World" being rendered at each stop.

The third, and final practice, will be held about 8:30 o'clock Sunday evening after the regular service at the Second church. All are welcome to join the happy throng of singers

Wants Information About Boxing

The Times is in receipt of a letter from Leo P. Flynn, 328 East Fourteenth street, New York city, asking for information concerning clubs that are holding boxing

Joseph, the Home of the Fish and Oyster House. Oysters strictly fresh 38c and 50c per quart; Steak Fish 18c; Oat Fish 20c; Rabbits, dressed, very fine, 25c; Chickens, young, celery, extra fine. No orders too small. Phone 814-L, 10th and Lincoln.

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SURPRISE PROGRAM

According to a dispatch from Columbus, Elmer Ottino, former Portsmouth boy, successfully passed the civil service examination and is now among those who are eligible for the appointment to the position as inspector for the State Liquor Commission.

One of two hundred applicants, only fifty secured passing grades. Of these twenty-three appointments are to be made.

Was In Columbus Gets a Turkey
R. E. Scott, passenger agent for the Norfolk and Western railroad, returned from a short business trip to Columbus Thursday evening.

Attorney B. F. Kimble is going to have a big turkey dinner on Christmas. The turkeys is a gift of Postmaster H. C. Brown, of Manchester.

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A complete winter tonic and general specific for all ills caused by improper blood conditions. Compound extract of Poke Root and Burdock. Restores appetite, removes indigestion, puts vim and go into your run-down system.

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Old Santa Claus—There are three of us. Our names are Marie, Madeline and Wilda. Marie has a doll and a pair of shoes, a coat and lots of toys. I want candy, nuts and oranges. Madeline wants a doll, some hair ribbons, a doll bed and a pair of shoes, some candy, oranges and lots of fruit. Wilda wants a doll and a buggy, a little bed for her dolls, some nuts, candy, oranges and lots of fruit. Your loving little girls, MARIE, MADELINE and WILDA REYNOLDS.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a sister, a wagon, a train which will run on a track, and two story books. Please do not forget my two dear little sisters. They both want a doll and a buggy and some dishes. I am your good little boy, HOWARD SEITZ, 1898 Eleventh St.

Dear Santa—We are two little girls six and nine years old and would like to have a doll, a trunk, a set of dishes and lots of candy and nuts. From EDIE and ALBERTA GUILKEY.

P. S.—Don't forget our little friend, Anna Sarah Barber.

Dear Santa Claus—I will write and tell you what I want for Xmas. I am a good little boy. I will go to school every day. I live on 15th street. Now Santa I will be a good boy and go to sleep early. I will tell mamma to leave the door open. Goodbye, Santa, DOYLE SPENCE, 1224 15th St.

Dear Santa Claus—We are two little girls. We are twins. Dear Santa bring us a doll, a ring, some stockings, some candy and oranges, nuts, and Santa don't forget Mary. We are eleven years old. Your little girls, EDNA and MAY FUNK, 3733 Rhodes Avenue, New Boston, Ohio.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 5 years old. I would like to have a piano, a stool, a set of dishes, a little white horse and a telephone. Don't forget my little brother Charles. He wants a telephone, a white horse, an Irish mail. He is 3 years old. Don't forget Annabelle. She wants a little Brownie suit, a little set of furs. Don't forget to bring us some candy, nuts and oranges. I will keep the front door open so you won't have to come down the chimney. I live at 2139 Eighth St. Portsmouth, Ohio.

Dear Old Santa Claus—I am a good little boy. I live at Garrison, Ky. Please send me a Ford and a girl to ride with me. Your old friend, G. W. SHAMBLEY, 204 Ohio Avenue.

P. S.—4 gallons gasoline and some candy.

My Dear Santa—As Xmas is almost here, I thought I would write and tell you what to bring me. I am a little girl, eighteen years old. I want a cap and scarf and a pair of leggings, a garnet ring, just lots of candy and fruit and anything else you can spare. Please don't forget my sister, Garnet Lindemann. She is eleven and wants lots of pretty things. As ever your friend, Bye-bye, MABEL SAYLOR.

Dear Santa Claus—I want a big doll, a big bed, a pretty dress, a table, some chairs, some plates, some candy and a buggy, a cap, a Christmas tree, a story book, a whole lots of things and some fruit. I am a good little girl. Good bye. GARNET LINDEMANN.

P. S.—I am eleven years old.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 7 years old. I am going to school and am learning very fast. I want a doll, some candy and nuts and a pair of mittens. My address is 1018 Gay street. WILLIE MAY BURIS.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 11 years old. I want you to bring me some hair ribbons, some handkerchiefs, some story books and a lot of candy, nuts, oranges and bananas and a sled. That will be all. From your little friend, JESSIE PIATT.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 11 years old. I live at 1632 12th St. I want you to bring me a doll, a scarf, a pair of gloves, a story book, some candy, fruit and nuts. My sister Mildred will tell you which door to come in as she is writing to you also. Please don't forget us. From your little girl, AROMELL CARR.

Dear Santa—I am going to write and tell you what I would like to have for Christmas. Please bring me a Christmas tree, a game that is called ping pong, a sled, some books, a red tie, a doll wig, a new pair of shoes and a pair of rubbers. Please bring mamma and papa something too. I will leave the front door open. Please come Saturday night for we are going to go to Cincinnati Sunday afternoon. So we are going to have our Christmas Saturday night. Dear Santa bring the poor children something too and tell all the little children that I wish them all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. Your friend, LILLIAN GIMS.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl seven years old. I live at 1632 12th St. I want you to bring me a doll, a scarf, a pair of gloves, a story book, some candy, nuts and fruit. You will find the parlor door unlocked. So please come in that way. From your little friend, MILDRED CARR.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 8 years old. I want you to bring me a sled, some candy and oranges. Bring sister Louella a doll buggy, some candy and oranges. Please don't forget my little cousin Jerry and Leek Harigan on Front street. I live on 15th street. Now Santa I will be a good boy and go to sleep early. I will tell mamma to leave the door open. Goodbye, Santa, ORLIA MORGAN.

P. S.—Don't forget my little school mate. I will leave the front door open for you.

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Dear Santa Claus—I will write you a few lines to let you know I am still living and what I want for Christmas. I want a crying doll, a bed, a set of china dishes, a table, story books and games, washing machine, set of dining room chairs, a pair of kid gloves, a set of furs, a ring, a pocketbook, a camera and some films. Be sure and give me all I ask for, Santa, because I have been a good girl. Loving you forever I close from EVELYN LOUISE McCARTY.

P. S.—Please don't forget my little friend Margaret Louise Holberg and bring her all she wants, a telephone, a white horse, an Irish mail. He is 3 years old. Don't forget Annabelle. She wants a little Brownie suit, a little set of furs. Don't forget to bring us some candy, nuts and oranges. I will keep the front door open so you won't have to come down the chimney. I live at 2139 Eighth St. Portsmouth, Ohio.

Dear Old Santa Claus—I am a good little boy. I live at Garrison, Ky. Please send me a Ford and a girl to ride with me. Your old friend, G. W. SHAMBLEY, 204 Ohio Avenue.

P. S.—4 gallons gasoline and some candy.

My Dear Santa—As Xmas is almost here, I thought I would write and tell you what to bring me. I am a little girl, eighteen years old. I want a cap and scarf and a pair of leggings, a garnet ring, just lots of candy and fruit and anything else you can spare. Please don't forget my sister, Garnet Lindemann. She is eleven and wants lots of pretty things. As ever your friend, Bye-bye, MABEL SAYLOR.

Dear Santa—I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll, a sled, a story book, some candy, nuts and oranges. We will leave the door unlocked so you can trim the tree. This is all. Goodbye. From yours truly, HARRY DAVID CARROLL, 542 Second Street.

Dear Santa—I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. Well, I want a Brownie emerald, a leather wrist watch, a soap bubble outfit, a pile of hooks as high as myself and as I am pretty tall 'twill have to be awful tall. I'll be watching for you, Santa. Don't forget to come to my house. Oh, I forgot to tell you a million things I wanted. I thought at first I only wanted five things. I want a Flexible Flyer, too. I also want a necklace with a diamond in it, because the diamond is my birthstone. Well, on thing else I want is a set of Erectors. I'm a little girl nine years old. Your loving friend, GLADYS DOTY.

P. S.—I want a ukulele, too. I'm in the fourth grade. I'm in four pieces at school.

Dear Santa—I am 5 years old. I have tried to be a good boy all year.

I want you to bring me a set of Model Builders, a train that runs on a track, a chair, lots of candy, nuts and oranges. We will leave the door unlocked so you can trim the tree. This is all. Goodbye. From yours truly, DONALD ELMER PRICE.

Dear Santa—I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a doll, a sled, a pencil box, a few books, a few pencils for a child 9 years old and a few more things. But these are the things that I want real bad.

From your loving friend, CLARA LOUISE GIMS.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a sled, a sport suit and a manual training set. I want a big Christmas tree, too. Bring mamma some toys too, we will be looking for them. Yours truly, RALPH MARTIN, 1546 10th St.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 20 months old and would like you to bring me a rocking chair, a pair of shoes and stockings. Grandma wants a hat, Hazel suit, some nice story books with a string of beads. My name is lots of pictures in them, a nice one for a little boy like me. Don't forget my baby brother. He is just one month old. Bring him a rattle and anything else nice. Don't forget my mother and grandmother and grandfather and Uncle Denver. Good bye Santa. My name is Kenneth King, J13 Jefferson Street.

P. S.—Please bring me some oranges, apples, nuts, and candy.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl six years old. I live at 1632 12th St. I want you to bring me a doll, a scarf, a pair of gloves, a story book, some candy, fruit and nuts. My sister Mildred will tell you which door to come in as she is writing to you also. Please don't forget us. From your little girl, GILBERT JOHNSON, 1412 from your friend, GEORGE CARTWRIGHT, Eighteenth Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl seven years old. Will you bring me a story book, some games, a new coat, a new pair of gloves and some nuts, candy and oranges. From your little friend, MILDRED OVERSTREET.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl seven years old. I go to school every day. I am in the High Second. Now Santa, don't forget me Xmas evening. I want a doll buggy, a little table and two little chairs, a set of china dishes, a story book, a new pair of shoes, some pretty hair ribbons, a horn and some candy and oranges. My little brother John Marvin, wants an Erector set, a drum, a horn, a train and some candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget our Xmas tree. I am a good girl.

BEULAH DUFFEE, 1524 Summit Street.

Dear Santa Claus—As it is about Xmas time I thought I had better write and tell you what we would like for you to bring us. Now Santa I am a good little boy 8 years old and I go to school every day. I am in the second grade. Now Santa, please bring my baby sister, Frances, a rattle box, and a rubber doll. My little brother Walter wants a dog, a chair, a drum, and a little wagon. Louise wants a doll, a set of dishes, a table, story books and games, a washing machine, set of dining room chairs, a pair of kid gloves, a set of furs, a ring, a pocketbook, a camera and some films. Bertha, Ohio.

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Yours truly, EDIE MARZELL SHELTON, 1524 Summit Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 3 years old. Won't you please bring me a big doll, a table and three chairs, a set of furs and a set of dishes too. Please bring me a set of Model Builders, a writing desk, a blackboard, a pencil box, a camera, a stool, a chair, a ring, a table, a little sewing box, some nice hair ribbons, and a toothpick holder.

Yours truly, CHARLES WARDEN, 1524 Summit Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little girl 3 years old. I want you to bring me a doll, a set of dishes, a table, story books and games, a washing machine, set of dining room chairs, a pair of kid gloves, a set of furs, a ring, a pocketbook, a camera and some films. Bertha, Ohio.

Yours truly, ROXIE CALLAHAN, 1524 Summit Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 2-1/2 years old. I live at 1748 Seventh street. I thought I would write and tell you what I want for Christmas. Please bring me a doll, a train and a big rubber ball, just like me. I have big blue eyes and yellow hair, so you will know what kind of doll to bring, and lots of candies, nuts and fruits. I will leave the door unlocked for you Xmas eve.

Yours truly, MILDRED V. GILBERT, 1513 Third Street.

Dear Santa—I am going to send me a wheelbarrow, a pony and a buggy, a train, a table, a chair, a set of dishes, a set of dominoes and a set of cards for my sister. Yours truly, PAUL BROCK.

Dear Santa—I am going to send you a letter as I saw in the Times where so many of your girls and boys were writing to you. I am eight years old and go to school. I want a sled, a train and an air gun, pair of gloves and a set of cards for my sister. Yours truly, WALTER CHAPMAN, 1513 Third Street.

Dear Santa—I am going to tell you what I want for Xmas. Well, I want you to bring me a doll and some clothes to make some clothes for my doll. Bring my brother Gerald, a drum and wagon, and my baby brother Eugene a rubber ball. We live on Center street, Sciotoville. Please do not forget to come to my house. This is all. Goodbye, Santa.

Yours truly, GWENDOLYN GLANDON, Buena Vista, O.

Dear Old Santa Claus—I am a little boy. I am one year old and a half. Santa won't you please bring me a red wagon, a jumping jack, a train and a big rubber ball, just like me. I have big blue eyes and yellow hair, so you will know what kind of doll to bring, and lots of candies, nuts and fruits. I will leave the door unlocked for you Xmas eve.

Yours truly, BERTHA, OHIO.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy five years old and I want so many things for Christmas. I am a little girl nine years old. Your loving friend, WAYNE B. FIELDS.

Dear Santa—I am going to write to you a letter and tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a white coaster wagon and a train, a set of dominoes and a set of cards for my sister. Yours truly, RALPH DALE.

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SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl 4 years old and live in Pleasant Valley, but don't come up there for it is too rough. Come to my mamma's house on Rhodes Avenue, just knock on the door. We will be waiting for you and will let you in. I want a little broom, a lawn swing, a set of dishes, a trunk for my doll and a pair of house slippers and kid gloves. Now Santa I have a little cousin, Clinton Stanley, and as he is too little to play much you can bring him some rattles and a high chair. Don't forget my mamma and daddy, also mamma. Goodbye, Your little friend,

JUANITA JENKINS.

Dear Santa—From little 4 year old Titus Kline. Dear Santa, Please send me a pair of mittens, a negro baby and some candles and a top and some blocks. Thanks.

Dear Santa—Will you please send me cap, sweater and some candy. Your little friend,

CHARLES KLINE.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me an Indian suit, 5 boxes roller caps, 6 packages shooting crackers, a sweater coat, a set of model builders, a pop gun, two story books, Jack and the Bean Stalk and Alice in Wonderland, and lots of candy and nuts. Don't forget my friend, Harwood Asbury. Goodbye, Santa.

I am 8 years old.

GILBERT LONG.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little girl and I will not be four years old until the 18th of next June. Now, Santa, I do not want you to forget me this time. I want you to bring me a doll, a picture book and a doll buggy and some pennants and some candy. Santa, I do want you to bring me a new dress. I live down on Mill street. The number of the house is 937. So goodbye.

ELEANOR MARSH.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 1 years old. I would like for you to bring me a few things. I want an air rifle, wagon, a top, a ball and some candy and nuts. I have two little brothers, and don't forget them. Your little friend,

FRANK HOOK, Wheelersburg.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 1 years old. I want a set of erector steel, a little wagon, some candy, a big Xmas tree, a little book of funny pictures and some building blocks.

REGINALD TESTIMENT,

1618 Gallia Street.

Dear Santa—I am a little boy 6 years old. My little sister and I live with our grandma. Our mama is dead. She has been dead 2 years. Please bring my little sister a doll and buggy, a set of blocks and a drum. Please bring me a flash-light, a drum, a set of blocks and lots of candy, nuts and oranges. Papa will put our tree by the window, so please trim it up nice for us. Much obliged to you, dear Santa. From your little friends,

FLOYD AND CHARLOTTE MITCHEM, Fire Brick Ky.

Dear Santa Claus—I am a little boy 5 years old. I would like to have you bring me something for Christmas. Would like some shooting crackers, some candy and a pair of roller skates. Bring mama a leather rocker and Eddie an erector set and Margaret a muff and papa a pair of nice warm gloves, as he carries mail and his hands get very cold. From your little friend,

LAWRENCE LEROY RUSSELL,

Box 46, Lucasville, O.

Dear Santa Claus—Please bring me a lot of pigeons and some rabbits. I am a nice little boy 10 years old, and in the fifth grade.

JOHNNIE SCHUH, Third St.

Dear Santa Claus—Will you please bring me a mackinaw and a drum and drum-sticks, Five Little Stars on a Canal Boat and a Model Builder No. 3, story books, games and a train. Sandy Andy and a Peter Rabbit book, also some candy, nuts, oranges and bananas. Your little boy,

ROBERT OAKES, 1615 Seventh St.

Dear Santa Claus—For my Christmas gift, I would like for you to bring me a set of furs, some story books, some paints and a doll. I wish you to bring these things, if there are not any other children who need them worse than I. I am in the third grade and I am eight years old.

EDITH COOK,

George, Ohio.

Dear Santa—I want a good dog, a cat, a knife and a pony. From your little boy,

LYNN'S QUESTEL.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a little doll with eyes that will open and shut, a box of crayons and a blackboard.

VIRGINIA LIFE.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a box of handkerchiefs, a pair of silk hose, a manicuring set, a pair of house slippers, some good reading books and a box of candy. From your little girl,

FLORENCE ROMAN, 312 Third St.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a little doll with eyes that will open and shut, a box of crayons and a blackboard.

HELEN ESTHER SMEEDLEY,

1238 Tenth Street.

Dear Santa—Please bring me a pair of red ribbons for Xmas and a doll. Please bring me some candy and a coconut and some oranges. I am nine years old.

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AFTER THE WRENCH, WHAT?

Doing what it supposes to be the proper thing, undoubtedly, the public utilities board has closed down numerous industrial plants over the state, because the shortage of gas has made this fuel scarce in the homes of a number of cities.

It is well that the homes be kept warm, but another phase is presented to the problem, which is best stated in the words of an employee of the local steel plant, who in yesterday's Times said, "If they don't get gas to the industries before long, they won't have to worry about me keeping my home warm. I won't have any to keep warm if the pay roll stops."

Nearly 2,500 men are out of work at the steel plant, because it has been forced to suspend. Several hundred are out of employment because other plants have been forced to suspend. This means an alarming loss to the individuals, who have been counting on steady work; to many it means the loss of their houses; it means much to the merchants of the community who have laid their plans with every expectation of these industries continuing to run.

Some one is to blame for the situation.

It is easy enough to order the wrench to shut off the gas supply of the industrial plants. Most anyone could solve the problem in that manner. But, as in the case of the local steel plant, many of these industries have undoubtedly installed gas after promises of a necessary supply of fuel under all conditions. If the commissions and boards are to escape the censure that will follow full consideration of the question, they will determine whether the gas companies have made all efforts possible to live up to their contracts, and have developed their fields as they signed their contracts, and made their promises.

Seventy-four men, three women, seventy-four empty suit cases and three empty handbags from up in West Virginia dropped off an N. & W. train at Ironton the other morning. Seventy-four men and three women with seventy-seven different varieties of jugs, seventy-four suit cases and three handbags loaded with booze, boarded the evening N. & W. train at Ironton for their West Virginia homes. In the interim they had staged a baby riot at the depot, according to the Register, and in various other boisterous ways demonstrated that they were having a "big time," on their little excursion to a moist zone. It's interesting, all this. But unless all signs fail such "big times" will grow scarcer and scarcer within the next few years. Things do seem to be moving that way.

We have often wondered why a dog buries a bone. We have seen hundreds of dogs at this cheerful and apparently thoughtful occupation and we have marveled at the intelligence that prompted Mr. Dog to lay aside a bone for a rainy day. But we never yet have seen a dog dig up a bone that he had buried and this thought has worried us exceedingly. Now it is all settled. The New York Sun comes forward with the explanation. "A dog buries bones," says the veracious Sun, "because it is his duty to amuse man. Come, his sly eye says to his master, I am about to bury, very secretly, a bone; I do not wish more than three or four witnesses. If you do not come to the yard I shall bury the bone under the soft pillows."

And so there you are. What do you think about it?

We judge from the "round robins" being circulated among Ohio militiamen on the border that they are about as anxious right now to get away from Mexico as they were at first to get down there. And yet this is no reflection upon their patriotism. If occasion required these boys would fight just as hard and just as long as the next fellow. They simply find it irksome to sit around all day and dream of home and Christmas. Probably too they have some gold lace officers who have not learned the art of taking care of their men and whose conception of duty is to show their authority at every opportunity.

Our young niece, after writing a very elaborate letter to Santa Claus, thoughtfully called up the office to say that she knew we were crowded for space right now and so if some one would just show her letter to Uncle Harry it would be alright and we needn't put it in the paper.

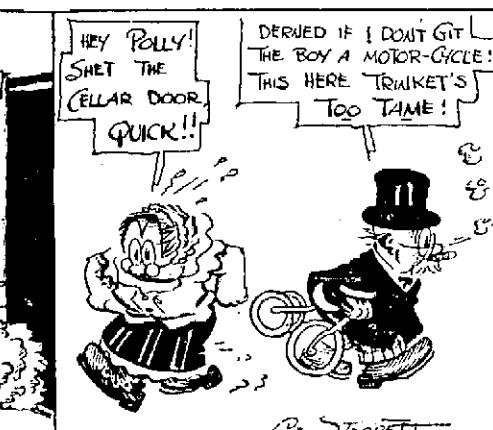
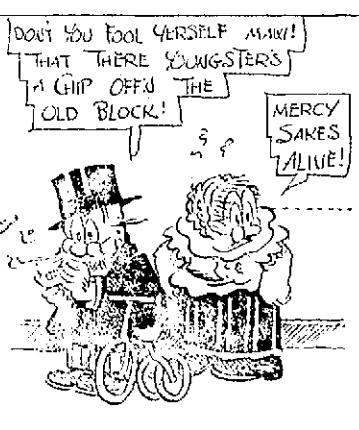
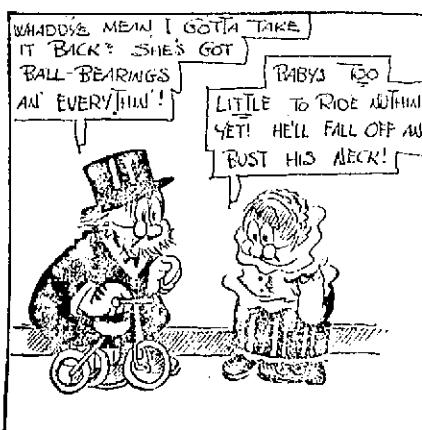
Are men vain? A girl reporter on the Cleveland Press says that they are, after spending an afternoon in a barber shop. She declares the found men to be twice as vain as women; that although men insist a barber shop is only a barber shop as a matter of fact they look upon it as a beauty parlor; that nine men out of ten want to look like Mr. Adonis.

At that we are just wondering if "Young Doe" is just trying to smoke John Eckhart out or to scare him out, when he announces his intention of going after the city treasurership next fall.

Almost every weekly paper in this section has raised its subscription price from \$1 a year to either \$1.25 or \$1.50 a year. And at that they are having a hard time to make both ends meet, so alarmingly high has paper become.

We rejoice to see evidences of material prosperity these days in the enlarged and crowded columns of the Gallipolis Tribune. The Tribune serves its community exceedingly well and it is an asset to its town.

POLLY AND HER PALS



Baby Is Some Jockey, All Right

APPARENTLY NOTHING TO FIGHT OVER



EDITORIAL MOTOR TROUBLES

(Camden (Mich.) Advance)

The editor and family met with an experience Monday afternoon while returning from Rendling in their auto. When just south of Samuel Rigelman's farm we met several boys on their way home from school, among the number were two of Al Brown's boys. We noticed the boys long before we got to them walking back and forth across the road, we sounded the alarm and the boys all got on the east side of the road, the younger Brown boy being the last one and just as we were about to pass them, the older Brown boy threw up his hands and frightened his little brother and he started to cross the road on the opposite side of where the other boys were. We see his maneuvers just in time to pull the car to the west side into the ditch, but the front wheel hit him and knocked him down, but luckily did not hurt him much. As we brought the car to such a quick stop after going into the ditch our little granddaughter, who was sitting on the front seat with us, was thrown out over the front door and we caught her by her underclothing. This is the second time we have been obliged to drive into the ditch on account of children cutting zigzag tracks across the highway. The older Brown boy was entirely to blame for the mishap and we venture to say he will be entirely careful hereafter.

Scarcely a day goes by now that a new guest does not appear at "Bill" Sprague's little congressional announcement party. First there came Roy McElhaney, then Mark Crawford, then Senator Tremper and now a big noise in the person of Arthur Bannon has walked into the house. We suggest to Bill that the next time he starts out to give a party he have a guest list and be blamed exclusive about it. The way the thing is going now the host bids fair to be eaten out of house and home and lucky to escape with a shirt on his back.

You meet an exceedingly fine and clever set of gentlemen in the political game. Mostly they are men above the average and it is a delight and a pleasure to know them. That is one reason why so many men are willing to give their time and their money to advancing party interests when you could not give them an office on a golden platter.

Some people turn up their noses at literature, but a Columbus literary club was found to be equipped for faro bank, draw poker, stud poker and other classic pursuits.—Cleveland Leader.

Senor Villa promises to pay Chihuahua City another visit. Yet it seems scarcely possible that he overlooked anything valuable the last time.—Marion Star.

It is said that the British government will prohibit the manufacture of hairpins. Does the British government want the British ladies to go around looking like ancient Britannia, with her golden hair hanging down her back?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

It looks as if a child can't put his playthings where they will be safe. No matter which floor he leaves them in the middle of, someone is almost sure to step on them.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

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Reorganizing Sales Dept.

The Superior Portland Cement Co., whose plant is located at Superior, Lawrence county, with offices in the Union Trust building, Cincinnati, has completely reorganized its sales department since the property was lifted from Federal receivership and restored to its original owners, making Benjamin Jones, Oak Hill, sales manager.—Irontonian.

On Business.

A. N. Martin of Cincinnati, industrial agent of the B. & O. railroad, was in Portsmouth on official business Thursday.

George H. Freshel, proprietor of the Palace cafe and restaurant is ill.



NEW-YORK-DAY-BY-DAY.

O'Malley.



New York, Dec. 22—It remained for a janitor to flash one of the most illuminating searchlights yet turned on the cost of living in this justly celebrated metropolis. Before the Wicks legislative prova the janitor unfolded her tale of twelve years' experience.

She related how the milkman, the iceman and the baker "come across" to the janitor or the janitors to secure the trade of the tenants in apartment houses.

It was shown that out of the prices they exact from ordinary consumers, the milk, ice and bread companies get enough to keep the janitor supplied free from these commodities, besides paying him an initial \$15 or \$25 fee for his good-will and remember him with gifts at Christmas.

The wise janitor moves as often as she can into a newly built house, thereby obtaining bigger "advances" from food dealers competing for the trade of incoming tenants.

The hall boys are also squared by the milk companies and even physicians, it was brought out, have been known to receive a 10 per cent discount on their milk bills when they recommended raw instead of pasteurized milk to their patients.

In short, the humble flat dweller is taxed for the cost of half a dozen other people's living.

The Black Art of press agenting has received an impetus by a clever Broadway member of the clan. His latest achievement is a wonder. A certain show opened last week. The critics next day were bad for the show. One paper in particular minded no words.

Two or three days later this press agenting genius began his advertising campaign. Somehow or other he discovered catch phrases favorable to the play in question in the stories of every critic in New York.

Even the man who came out without mincing words had praised something or other in it and was duly quoted. And the play is now lifted out of the greased skids to failure to a whooping success. The young man did not misquote the critic in any single instance.

In the grill of the Knickerbocker there is a very talented young singer, who sings good-natured songs to the

diners—songs that do not embarrass them.

The other night, however, a young married man whose wife was away, dropped in with some friends. He liked the singer's looks and—well he flirted with her a bit.

After he had caught her eyes and winked at her several times, she walked over to the edge of the dancing floor and looked at him. Then she sang the new ditty: "What do you want to make those eyes at me for—when they don't mean what they say?" The young man blushed, but on the second chorus he went up to her and joined in the chorus and made the hit of his life.

I went out shopping the other afternoon with a man who has money. He went to one of the classiest shops on Fifth avenue. One dazzling necklace cost him \$8. Five shirts were \$85. A pair of lavender pajamas set him back \$32. A dozen handkerchiefs totalled \$24. On my way home I purchased a box of puppy biscuits for my dog and I believe that I got more satisfaction out of my purchase than he did, and my total expenditure was a dime—the tenth part of a dollar.

No Word From Husband

—Walter G. Doty.

The Lights of Christmas Eve

They glimmer and glow on the

traden snow.

Where the busy shoppers come

and go;

Steady and clear and full of

cheer;

Flushing the olden message dear;

"It is more blessed to give than

receive;"

O cheery lights of Christmas

Eve!

Their radiance pours on the

crowded floors.

And the jumbled shelves of the

city stores,

Mid bustle and waste and stock

displaced

Where tardy buyers buy in haste

Lest someone, forgotten, to morrow grieve,

O dazzling lights of Christmas

Eve!

But their fairest light is shed to

night;

In the homes where Christmas

trees gleam bright

With tinsel swung and with

stockings hung

The gaily garnished boughs

among,

Waiting to hold what Santa will

leave,

O happy lights of Christmas Eve!

—Walter G. Doty.

Passing Time

"Bud," a typical southern

coustabout of ebony hue, was

slowly and dreamily shuffling

along the street, and softly whistling,

"The Memphis Blues."

Passing down in front of the

county jail one of his old enemies

who was in durance vile, pecked

through the bars, and haled with,

"What time is it, Bud?"

Bud stopped looked up to the

barred window, and asked slowly

"What diff'rence it make to you what time it is—yer ain't go

ing no where, is you?"

Shrewd Salesman

Sales Manager—What's this

item, "Overhead Expense, \$4,"

on your expense account?

Traveling Salesman—I got

caught in the rain one day and

bought an umbrella.

Standing Room Only

They tell of a Slav who was in

hard luck and was given a pair of

trousers at the charity headquarters

and told to go into a room

and put them on. When he came

out the superintendent asked

"How do they fit?"

"Legs fit tighter as my skin."

"Tighter than your skin?" That

is impossible!"

"I ken seat down in my skin,

but not in dese!"

Trotters of The Wholesaler

THE NOONEXTRA

EDITION OF The
Portsmouth
Daily Times

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

PORSCMOUTH, OHIO FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1916.

(Established April 20, 1914)

PRICE ONE CENT

BLIZZARD GRIPS CENTRAL OHIO

WILSON'S NOTE BEARS NO THREAT

TRAFFIC BLOCKED AND BUSINESS AT A STANDSTILL

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 22.—Street car and interurban service was paralyzed and steam roads were badly crippled, throughout Central Ohio this morning as a result of one of the most severe snowstorms in years. There were no interurban cars operating out of Columbus up to 9 o'clock this morning and very few street cars were running in the city. Thousands of people were compelled to walk to their work. Merchants, in the midst of the final Christmas shopping, found few customers in the stores. Dozens of big automobiles were stranded in snowdrifts around Columbus. The United States weather bureau this morning reported there had been five inches of snowfall. There was a 40-mile gale blowing during the storm which caused the snow to drift. Authorities of Columbus this morning recruited a veritable army of workmen and teams to clear the principal downtown streets of the snow drifts.

TRAFFIC PARALYZED BY AN OHIO BLIZZARD

Canton, O., Dec. 22.—Not a car, wind, has drifted so that traffic is running on the Canton streets almost impossible. All steam railroads entering this city are either practically tied or the schedules demoralized. Milkmen and bread and grocery delivery men find it impossible to get through. Rural mail delivery of liveries will be impossible in many about 10 inches, carried by a high section today.

RUSSO-RUMANIANS AND TEUTONIC ALLIES IN VIOLENT BATTLE

The following review of the day's events in the European war is compiled by experts in the Associated Press office in New York from despatches and information received through various reliable sources at their command.

New York, Dec. 22.—In the Dohod region of Rumania, where the Russo-Rumanian forces have turned upon the invaders, the Teutonic allies have been driven from the heights on which they had situated themselves and the Russians and Rumanians now are in a violent battle for the possession of other portions along this line. In Rumania proper, the Teutons are advancing, but are meeting with strong resistance from the Russians and Rumanians. Along the Pithivian front, the Teutonic allies have pushed back the advance guard of the defenders.

Except for the battle in Rumania, in the Carpathians, where the Russians have captured several heights, and at various points on the Russian front, where attacks by the Russians have been repulsed by the Germans, little infantry activity is being displayed.

The artillery duels have been carried at various points along the front. On the Verdun sector where the French made a notable

advance last week, the Germans have violently bombarded the Louvemont-Vaux front.

Show and rain are falling in Macedonia and aside from an engagement in the Cerna river bend region, no infantry fighting has taken place.

In Mesopotamia the British report successful bombardments of Turkish river craft and land positions.

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England Surprised By Wilson's Action

London, Dec. 22.—The general public had their first news of President Wilson's note from the morning papers and the matter was the one topic of conversation on incoming suburban trains and throughout the country. The people, like the press, were rather taken aback as they had about arrived at the conclusion that Premier Lloyd-George's speech had

afternoon edition of the Daily Mail, heads a reprint of the comment of the morning papers with one word "No" in large black type and under it "Our Answer to President Wilson," and again "No, No, No, that is the Answer Great Britain Gives Today Without a Moment's Hesitation to the Surprising Note From President Wilson."

The evening papers, which do not print editorials, came out with big headlines which expressed their views. The Evening News, which is the

London, Dec. 22.—Lloyd's reports the sinking of the British steamship Itonus. The Itonus, 5,400 tons gross, was owned in Melbourne. She was in the service of the British government.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN MISSING FOLLOWING A FIRE IN MASONIC HOME

Wichita, Kas., Dec. 22.—Ten persons, eight children and two aged women, are believed to have lost their lives in a fire which early today destroyed the Kansas Masonic Home in the western part of the city. Ninety-two persons were in the building when the fire broke out and firemen directed their efforts to rescuing them.

The main building was of three stories and the two wings that extended to the west were two stories. The north wing was the women's department and it was under this that the fire started. Two crippled women have not been accounted for. Their room was directly under a stairway that fell. All the men were saved.

The fire, which originated in the furnace room, got beyond control before water could be turned on it, due to frozen water mains, the temperature being

eight above zero.

The home was thrown into darkness when the fire was first discovered by a boy sleeping in the basement, who pulled a switch to shut off the supply of fuel oil to the furnace.

The main building was destroyed, and D. P. Burdick stated he had no way of checking the list of survivors with the register of inmates. Ten inmates were taken to hospital suffering from exposure, burns and the effects of inhaling smoke.

The property loss will reach \$175,000, partly covered by insurance, Thomas G. Fitch, a member of the board of control, who aided in the rescue work, stated.

PLAN FOR UNIVERSAL MILITARY TRAINING TO BE LAID BEFORE CONGRESS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—A definite plan for universal military training will be laid before Congress next month in the shape of a bill formulated by the general staff of the army, accompanied by complete estimates of costs, as compared to the present volunteer system.

Major General Hugh L. Scott, chief of staff, told the house mili-

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plete. Chairman Dent said the committee would be glad to see the bill.

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STOCK MARKET SHOWS SHARP RECOVERY

New York, Dec. 22.—Opening

prices on the stock market today

showed a sharp recovery from the

closing quotations of yesterday.

(BULLETIN)

(Chicago, Dec. 22.—Wheat today

opened nervous and irregular with

prices from quarter of a cent under

one and three-quarter

cents over yesterday's close. A

sharp break quickly ensued. May

dropped to \$1.62 1/2, a maximum

overnight loss of one and a quar-

ter cents. July fell to \$1.34 1/2, a

similar loss. At the top, at the

opening, May sold at \$1.65 and

July at \$1.38 1/2. Traders seemed

perplexed in endeavors to interpret

the so-called peace situation.

WEATHER

Ohio—Fair tonight except snow

in northeast portion. Colder with

a cold wave in southeast portion.

Saturday fair, slightly warmer in

west portion.

Adam—Time must hang heavy on

your hands.

Eric—Why, honey?

Adam (recklessly)—Well, you wear

a wrist watch.—Columbia Leader.

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FEAR OF U. S. BEING FORCED TO ENTER THE WAR IS DISPELLED BY LATE INTERPRETATION

(BULLETIN)

London, Dec. 22.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from The Hague, says it announced semi-officially that should the Entente Allies in their reply to the peace proposals of the Central Powers leave the door open for negotiations, Germany will make known her chief peace terms immediately.

Washington, Dec. 22.—President Wilson's note to the belligerents, urging discussion of peace, was officially interpreted late yesterday as not bearing any threat that the United States might be forced to enter the war because of the continued invasion of its right by the warring powers on both sides.

This interpretation was made late yesterday by Secretary Lansing in a formal statement issued to overtake what were characterized as widespread misconceptions placed on one given out earlier in the day saying that because of the increasingly critical position of the United States as a neutral, it was entitled to know exactly what each belligerent said in the course with satisfaction.

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Secretary Lansing's final statement formally prepared and issued after he had been called to the White House for a conference with the president declared that he had not intended to intimate that the United States was considering any change in its policy of neutrality to indicate its purpose without further comment on his part.

Mr. Lansing's first statement, made orally and of which no official copy was distributed, led to exaggerations of its language and purpose throughout official Washington.

When word of what the secretary of state had said spread throughout the capital it created the greatest consternation in official circles and among the foreign diplomats.

At the White House no comment whatever was made on the note itself or on the two statements by Secretary Lansing.

The German embassy gave no outward evidences of concern. The submarine, bound from Salonic to Montreal in ballast, with six Americans in the crew, was sunk without warning by a torpedo from a submarine of unknown nationality, on December 12th. Two officers reported seeing the wake of the submarine and

FLASHES FROM THE REAL CENTERS OF SPORT

Big Game Postponed, Auto Accident Cause

It sure was tough luck not to have the Ironton bowlers arrive Thursday night when big preparations had been made to entertain them. The "near visitors" did the right thing in calling up over long distance telephone and notifying Manager Lou Distel of the local team that it would be impossible for them to bowl in Portsmouth Thursday night. The Ironton team started for this city in an automobile but the machine broke down near Hlanga and the party from the Nail City had to turn back. Campbell's Chestnut were to roll against the Elcos on the Crystal Palace alleys. A fine lunch had been prepared for the visitors but in order not to have the lunch spoil at a dozen of the bowlers in the Crystal Palace league enjoyed the "feast."

The Ironton bowlers sent word they would be here sure next Thursday night as they would start early so if they had an accident they could walk and get in here in plenty of time to play.

RULES DON'T INCLUDE BRICKS

Detroit, Dec. 22.—"Willie" Weston, the tack with a brick and that the brick hit him where his hat had been before the football carried it away.

Weston listened patiently.

"Football is a nice game, but bricks are no part of it," he said solemnly, as he fined Atkins \$10.

John Atkins, star of a team composed of negro athletes was the defendant, H. Noskovich was the complaining witness.

Mr. Noskovich was strolling with a friend. As they approached Brady and Antoine streets, there was a boom, a roar—a brown missile tore off Mr. Noskovich's hat.

An argument followed, and so the parties were summoned to appear before Weston.

Mr. Noskovich declared he didn't mind the whack on the head which he received from the football, but insisted that somebody followed up the at-

South Wins Honors

New York, Dec. 22.—The close of the intercollegiate football season finds both the team and individual scoring honors held by a Southern eleven and player.

A comparison of the records of the leading teams of the East, South and Middle West shows that the Georgia Tech,

combination scored 420 points in nine games with Georgetown University a close second with 412 while last half-back Gilroy, of Georgetown, leads the individual point collectors with a total of 130 points and O'Hearn, of the Army team, is second with 112. Mauleyton of Michigan is a close third.

Is An Old Timer

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 22.—Sterling Bullock, caretaker of Perry Field club house, where the University of Michigan's football warriors dress, has been identified with Michigan athletes for 40 years.

Years ago, one of Bullock's chief duties was to mend the university football, for in those days the institution possessed but one leather each season. Bullock and his wife also made the running logs for the track athletes.

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AFTER THE WRENCH, WHAT?

Doing what it supposes to be the proper thing, undoubtedly, the public utility board has closed down numerous industrial plants over the state, because the shortage of gas has made this fuel scarce in the homes of a number of cities.

It is well that the homes be kept warm, but another phase is presented to the problem, which is best stated in the words of an employee of the local steel plant, who in yesterday's Times said, "If they don't get gas to the industries before long, they won't have to worry about me keeping my home warm. I won't have any to keep warm if the pay roll stops."

Nearly 2,500 men are out of work at the steel plant, because it has been forced to suspend. Several hundred are out of employment because other plants have been forced to suspend. This means an alarming loss to the individuals, who have been counting on steady work; to many it means the loss of their houses; it means much to the merchants of the community who have laid their plans with every expectation of these industries continuing to run.

Some one is to blame for the situation.

It is easy enough to order the wrench to shut off the gas supply of the industrial plants. Most anyone could solve the problem in that manner. But, as in the case of the local steel plant, many of these industries have undoubtedly installed gas after promises of a necessary supply of fuel under all conditions. If the commissions and boards are to escape the censure that will follow full consideration of the question, they will determine whether the gas companies have made all efforts possible to live up to their contracts, and have developed their fields as they signed their contracts, and made their promises.

Seventy-four men, three women, seventy-four empty suit cases and three empty handbags from up in West Virginia dropped off an N. & W. train at Ironton the other morning. Seventy-four men and three women with seventy-seven different varieties of jags, seventy-four suit cases and three handbags loaded with booze, boarded the evening N. & W. train at Ironton for their West Virginia homes. In the interim they had staged a baby riot at the depot, according to the Register, and in various other boisterous ways demonstrated that they were having a "big time," on their little excursion to a moist zone. It's interesting, all this. But unless all signs fail such "big times" will grow scarcer and scarcer within the next few years. Things do seem to be moving that way.

We have often wondered why a dog buries a bone. We have seen hundreds of dogs at this cheerful and apparently thoughtful occupation and we have marvelled at the intelligence that prompted Mr. Dog to lay aside a bone for a rainy day. But we never yet have seen a dog dig up a bone that he had buried and this thought has worried us exceedingly. Now it is all settled. The New York Sun comes forward with the explanation. "A dog buries bones," says the veracious Sun, "because it is his duty to amuse man. Come, his sly eye says to his master. I am about to bury, very secretly, a bone; I do not wish more than three or four witnesses. If you do not come to the yard I shall bury the bone under the soft pillovs."

And so there you are. What do you think about it?

We judge from the "round robins" being circulated among Ohio militiamen on the border that they are about as anxious right now to get away from Mexico as they were at first to get down there. And yet this is no reflection upon their patriotism. If occasion required these boys would fight just as hard and just as long as the next fellow. They simply find it irksome to sit around all day and dream of home and Christmas. Probably too they have some cold lace officers who have not learned the art of taking care of their men and whose conception of duty is to show their authority at every opportunity.

Our young niece, after writing a very elaborate letter to Santa Claus, thoughtfully called up the office to say that she knew we were crowded for space right now and so if some one would just show her letter to Uncle Harry it would be alright and we needn't put it in the paper.

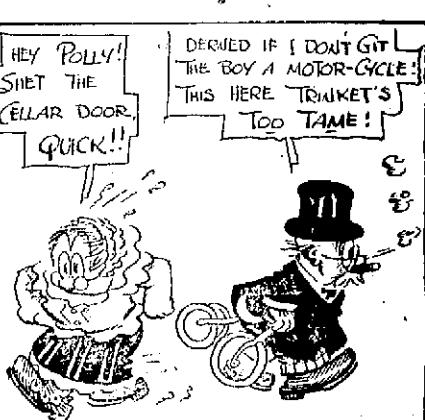
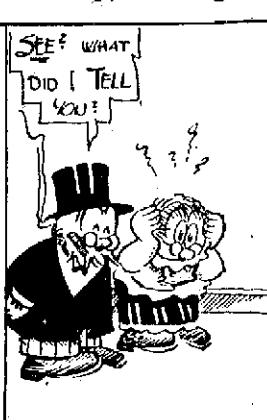
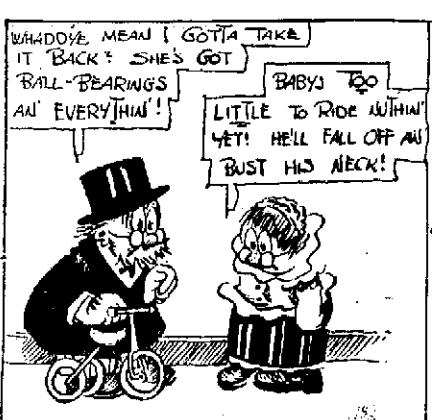
Are men vain? A girl reporter on the Cleveland Press says that they are, after spending an afternoon in a barber shop. She declares she found men to be twice as vain as women; that although men insist a barber shop is only a barber shop as a matter of fact they look upon it as a beauty parlor; that nine men out of ten want to look like Mr. Adonis.

At that we are just wondering if "Young Doc" is just trying to smoke John Eckhart out or to scare him out, when he announces his intention of going after the city treasurer next fall.

Almost every weekly paper in this section has raised its subscription price from \$1 a year to either \$1.25 or \$1.50 a year. And at that they are having a hard time to make both ends meet, so alarmingly high has paper become.

We rejoice to see evidences of material prosperity these days in the enlarged and crowded columns of the Gallipolis Tribune. The Tribune serves its community exceedingly well and it is an asset to its town.

POLLY AND HER PALS



Baby Is Some Jockey, All Right

NEW PATTERNS
Have Arrived
An expert tailor at your service
McGarry, THE TAILOR, GALLIA

By CLIFF STERRETT

NEW-YORK DAY-BY-DAY
BY O.O. MCINTYRE.

New York, Dec. 22—It remained for a janitor to flush out of the most illuminating searchlights yet turned on the cost of living in this justly celebrated metropolis. Before the Wicks legislative press the janitor unfolded her tale of twelve years' experience.

She related how the milkman, the teamster and the baker "come across" the janitor or the janitor to secure the trade of the janitor in apartment houses.

It was shown that out of the prices they exact from ordinary consumers, the milk, ice and bread companies get enough to keep the janitor supplied free from these commodities, besides paying him an initial \$15 or \$25 fee for his good-will and remember him with gifts at Christmas.

The wise janitor moves as often as she can into a newly built house, thereby obtaining bigger "advances" from food dealers competing for the trade of incoming tenants.

The hull boys are also squared by the milk companies and even physicians, it was brought out, have been known to receive a 10 per cent discount on their milk bills when they recommended milk to their patients.

In short, the humble flat dweller is taxed for the cost of half a dozen other people's living.

The Black Art of press agentry has received an impetus by a clever Broadway number of the clan. His latest achievement is a wonder. A certain show opened last week. The criticisms next day were bad for the show. One paper in particular minded no words.

Two or three days later this press agentry genius began his advertising campaign. Somehow or other he discovered catch phrases favorable to the play in question in the stories of every critic in New York.

Even the man who came out with out nineine words had praised something or other in it and was duly quoted. And the play is now lifted out of the greased skids to failure to a whooping success. The young man did not misquote the critic in any single instance.

To the grill of the Knickerbocker there is a very talented young singer, who sings good-natured songs to the

timers—songs that do not embarrass them.

The other night, however, a young married man whose wife was away, dropped in with some friends. He liked the singer's looks and—well he flirted with her a bit.

After he had caught her eyes and winked at her several times, she walked over to the edge of the dancing floor and looked at him. Then she sang the new ditty: "What do you want to make those eyes at me for—when they don't mean what they say?" The young man blushed, but on the second chorus he went up to her and joined in the chorus and made the hit of his life.

Their radiance pours on the crowded floor.

And the jumbled shelves of the city stores, Mid bustle and waste and stocks displaced.

Where tardy buyers buy in haste. Lest someone, forgotten, to morrow grieve,

O dazzling lights of Christmas Eve!

The Lights of Christmas Eve

They glimmer and glow on the trudgen snow.

Where the busy shoppers come and go;

Steady and clear and full of cheer,

Flashing the alden message dear,

It is more blessed to give than receive,

O cheery lights of Christmas Eve!

Their radiance pours on the crowded floor.

And the jumbled shelves of the city stores, Mid bustle and waste and stocks displaced.

Where tardy buyers buy in haste. Lest someone, forgotten, to morrow grieve,

O dazzling lights of Christmas Eve!

But their fairest light is shed to night.

In the homes where Christmas trees gleam bright

With tinsel swang and with stockings hung

The gaily garnished boughs among,

Waiting to hold what Santa will leave,

O happy lights of Christmas Eve!

—Walter G. Doty.

Passing Time

"Bud," a typical southern rustabound, of ebony hue, was slowly and dreamily shuffling along the street, and softly whistling, "The Memphis Blues."

Passing down in front of the country jail one of his

who was in durance vile, packed through . . .

"What time is it, Bud?"

Bud stopped looked up to the brier . . .

"What difference it makes to you what time it is—ever an

ing no where, is you?"

Shrewd Salesman

Sales Manager—What's this item,

"Overhead Expense, \$4,"

on your expense account?

What's that stand for?

Traveling Salesman—I got caught in the rain one day and bought an umbrella.

Standing Room Only

They tell of a Shy who was in hard luck and was given a pair of trousers at the charity headquarters and told to go into a room and put them on. When he came out the superintendent asked,

"How do they fit?"

"They fit tighter us my skin."

"Tighter than your skin? That is impossible!"

"I have seen down in my skin, but not in dese!"

Troubles of The Wholesaler

"The wholesale man has naught to annoy, and his lot is a steady round of joy.

"Worms in the apples, skippers in the cheese, weevils in the rice and bugs in the peas."

"Canned goods swelling, sugar going down. Say! Another fellow's busted in town!"

"Books don't balance, prunes full of lice, syrup fermenting, cellar full of mice, rats in the sago, codfish turning red, pickles all soft and rancid in the shed."

"Jones gave a mortgage, Smith has assigned," Brown gone under," Your offer declined."

"Row with the salesmen, credit man sick, and nothing from the trade but kick! kick! kick!"

Salt Seller.

"Bright" Pupils In Buffalo

In flies there is the danger of sickness as they go and set on some dead animal and in garbage barrels and etc., and then they come in the pantry, go in the sugar bowl, bathe in the milk and come and sit on you.

The brain is in the northern part of the head.

The heart is in the northeastern part of the chest.

The lungs are in the eastern and western part of our chest.

The stomach is in the northwestern part of our abdomen.

Flies are dangerous because they go in the pantry and sit on the pies.

One USE for mosquitoes is when they bite you it pains very much.

The danger in dust is all kinds of Germans.

Flies are dangerous because they wipe their feet on our cake.

Answer in a Buffalo Grammar School.

Missed The Transient Trade

A colored barber was complaining to one of his white patrons because his boss had not promoted him up to the first chair at the entrance of the shop.

"What difference does it make to you whether you are on the first or the last chair—your friends will come direct to you anyhow," said the white patron.

"Yassir, dat's so," replied the colored barber, "but you seems ter fergit de fast day's catchin' mos' all de transients trade."

COME AND GET YOUR MONEY

Koot-Poots

AT THE

FISHER & STREICH PHARMACY

CORNER SIXTH AND CHILlicothe STREETS

If their Famous Marigold Cream does not do what they claim for it, it is a fragrant preparation, soothes and heals the chapped and irritated skin. One application before retiring will convince you of the great merit of this preparation. One trial will please and make a customer.

Try it after shaving, not sticky nor greasy.

The skin absorbs it all.

Price 10 and 25¢

COME AND GET YOUR MONEY

NOTICE
To All Gas Consumers

When using a gas range, if the flame blackens the stove, it is because the burners need cleaning and adjusting. If the flame in the heating stove is yellow, it is due to the same cause.

If you are having any of these troubles, notify us, and we will have a man call and adjust your stove.

The Portsmouth Gas Co.

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Reorganizing Sales Dept.

The Superior Portland Cement Co., whose plant is located at Superior, Lawrence county, with offices in the Union Trust building, Cincinnati, has completely reorganized its sales department since the property was lifted from Federal receivership and restored to its original owners, making Benjamin Jones, Oak Hill, sales manager.

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37 Presents Donated For The First "1917" Baby

a box of cigars.

The Bauer Broom Co., Seventeenth street, to baby a toy broom, to mother a carpet broom, to dad a clothes broom.

The Conger Printing Co., of Front street, will donate a number of birth announce-

ments for the first 1917 baby.

George Arend, Chillicothe street haberdasher, will present dad with a fine \$3 hat.

M. Lehman & Bros., will give baby his or her first pair of shoes.

John Moeller, Gallia street

butcher, will give the parents ten pounds of Armour Star ham.

Mrs. S. A. Ingles, of 933 Third street, couple of pair of white crocheted booties.

I. Quasser, of Third street, new goose feathers for a baby's feather bed and small pillows.

Probate Judge, Recorder And Auditor To Name Commissioner

The successor to the late Thomas W. Watkins, president of the board of county commissioners, will be appointed by a committee consisting of Probate Judge Thomas C. Beatty, County Auditor S. D. Eckhart and County Recorder Henry

Becker, according to an announcement made at the offices of Prosecuting Attorney Joseph T. Mickiehewit Friday.

This committee shall meet within a reasonable period of time after the vacancy occurs on the board of county commissioners and ballot upon a successor. It requires two votes to appoint. The appointee shall serve until his successor shall be elected and qualified at a regular election.

In this case the appointee will serve until the county election of 1918.

ASHLAND FIRE CHIEF RELEASED

The fire which destroyed the Weinburger Bakery and the Nathan Rothschild buildings in Ashland, Monday night, has aroused the Kentucky citizens. Already Fire Chief Davenport has drawn his release. The committee also sent a delegation to protest to the Ohio Valley Electric Railway Company against the treatment of the city by the crew of the Coal Grove-Ashland freight boat, which refused to make an extra trip to Ironton fire-fighting equipment to Ashland to help in fighting the flames. The street railway company owns 51 per cent of the boat and prompt action is demanded. It is expected that the entire Ashland fire department will be reorganized under direction of a man to be sent by the fire chief of Cincinnati.

S. Rosenthal; Chillicothe street merchant, an infant's long coat.

Mrs. J. A. Cooper, 1823 Eighth street, box of home-made candy.

Miss Anna Pfeiffer, baby cap, baby sack, and pair of white shoes.

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Portsmouth Vulcanizing Company, hand made Irish crocheted baby cap.

Virgil Fowler, No. 2 Brownie camera.

J. W. Carroll, wall paper for one room.

Bennett and Babcock, pair of eye glasses for mother.

W. T. Bauer, 1 dozen 25 cent gas mantles.

Mrs. Jessie Barber, two beautiful night gowns for baby.

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Jake Pfau, Eleventh street baker, month's supply of Beechnut Butter Loaf Bread to the family.

Charles King, Chillicothe street photographer, dozen cabinet photos of baby.

J. F. Benedict, of New Way Dry Cleaning establishment, Clay street, will clean and press one suit for father.

James Distel, of Distel Furniture Co., one baby walker.

C. L. Tarr, Second street Piano dealer, baby's gold ring.

Philip Frick, Sciotoville agent Watkins Medicine Co., box toilet soap, box baby's talcum powder.

John D. Wente, Gallia street butcher, ten pounds Swift's Premium Bacon to the parents.

A. I. Hurth, Chillicothe street liquor dealer, large bottle of port wine to parents.

Mrs. George Erwin, of 1517 Third street, embroidered baby dress.

H. Stewart, of Stewart's Cut Rate Pharmacy, on Gallia street, will give to baby a white Pyrolin ivory baby dress.

J. M. Mercer, in charge of the prescription department at Stewart's Cut Rate Pharmacy, will give "dad" a white Pyrolin ivory baby dress.

Don't let another sun set with your WANT AD. Use the TIMES which reaches over 9,000 homes every day.

Want Referendum On Elimination Of Strikes

The United States Chamber of Commerce has asked for a referendum for the elimination of strikes and lock-outs on railroad and employees and carriers. A copy of the referendum was received by R. E. Thomas, secretary of the board of trade Friday.

Three proposals are given. The first is that there shall be a public investigation of all disputes between the railroads and employees before steps are taken to interrupt the service. The second, to be taken at the next meeting of that a board of arbitration be ap-

pointed to settle difficulties. This

board is to consist of an equal number of representatives from the railroads and employees and carriers. A majority of the committee shall be selected to represent the public. The third, that a permanent board be appointed to prepare statistics on wages and conditions on railroads and have them ready to submit to a board, should a dispute arise.

The referendum shall be ballot-

ed upon at the next meeting of

the board of trade.

Brady and Wear, butchers, of 2004 Robinson avenue, will give to the parents one large bunch of weiners.

Other contributors are:

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GOING TO FEDERAL ORDER FILED

DEATH SUMMONS COMES TO THOMAS W. WATKINS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1916.

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The whole community was immeasurably shocked by the sudden death of Thomas W. Watkins, aged 59 years, president of the board of county commissioners, and one of Portsmouth's best known citizens, which occurred at his home, 1822 Baird avenue, Thursday night about 9:30 o'clock.

But few of Mr. Watkins' many friends in the city and county were aware he was seriously ill. He was complaining somewhat when he and his fellow commissioners went to Columbus a week ago to visit the State Highway Commissioner. He returned home Saturday night and on Sunday morning was seized with a chill, first

and term would not have commenced until next September. Mr. Watkins was married in 1872 to Sarah Stockham, daughter of Aaron Stockham, who survives with six children: Letta, wife of Dr. Dan J. Lloyd, dentist; Charles Watkins, of the Schmid-Watkins Plumbing Company; Judith, wife of John A. Lowry, superintendent of the Harbison Walker brick plant; Thomas Watkins, Jr., a sergeant of a United States field artillery battery, stationed at Brownsville, Texas; Wayne Watkins, traveling salesman for the Standard Supply Company, and Miss Sarah Watkins at home.

Thomas William Watkins was born in Clinton, Illinois, October 18, 1857, a son of John C. Watkins and Eliza LaForge. His father was a native of Portsmouth and his grandfather, Thomas Watkins, was one of the city's first settlers.

Mr. Watkins left Clinton when a mere child and came to Portsmouth. He attended the public schools until 1874 and then began learning the plumbing business. He went to Cincinnati and worked at his trade until 1878, when he returned to Portsmouth. He started in business in 1880 and was for years located at Third and Washington streets and later up to his retirement from business a few years ago, was located in Second and Chillicothe streets.

Mr. Watkins was at one time superintendent of the city water works and two years ago was elected county commissioner on the Republican ticket. He was re-elected this fall and his sec-

retary and his wife, Mrs. Watkins, were with him at the time of his death.

Close upon the heels of a vanishing snow came another heavy blanket of snow early Friday morning. Citizens were out early with snow-shovels and brooms clearing the sidewalks and walks about their homes.

The average depth of the snow was 3.5 inches, according to Dr. H. A. Schiermann, local weather observer. The minimum temperature Thursday night was 20 degrees and the maximum temperature was 34 degrees.

The heavy snows in the vicinity of Columbus delayed the operation of trains on the Columbus division of the Norfolk and Western railroad for a period of over four hours, it was announced at the terminals Friday. The snow was over one foot in depth, causing a general tie-up of the street car lines in Columbus.

On account of the tie-up of the street cars employees of the railroad were unable to get to their work for more than three hours.

The freezing of the interlocking switches at the Pennsylvania crossing, near Columbus also caused a forty-five minute delay. Trains were being operated over the Columbus division Friday morning at 7:30 o'clock. Come early and get a good seat.

The canteen is to be given by the pupils of the Sunday school. All have been drilled for several weeks and each knows his or her part well, so you are promised a splendid pro-

gram, one worth coming miles to see.

The entertainment will consist of many musical numbers, including selections by a chorus numbering from forty to fifty voices. There will also be solos, duets, trios and quartets too numerous to mention. The auditorium of the church, in which the program is to be given, has been most beautifully decorated, in keeping with the Christmas season. All are invited.

J. I. Marsh, a well known mineral manufacturer, is to be operated upon at Homestead hospital today for the removal of a foot. He has been suffering with blood

poisoning and developed gangrene. He was removed to the hospital Thursday afternoon.

The cast of characters is as follows:

Mildred, a child of the victim, Sarah Louise Walker.

Patty, a child of the poor—Grace Rurk.

Sprinkle—Eleanor Swisshelm.

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The mayor continued the hearing until evening in order to receive the testimony of the arresting officer. Mrs. Arms was permitted to return to her place of business after leaving \$1 security for her appearance tonight, but Mrs. Hodge was returned to the female ward.

Patrolman George Harding raided the Owl restaurant in the Biggs House block Friday morning at one o'clock, arresting the proprietress, Elizabeth Arms, her waitress, Maud Hodge, and a former giving the name of James Hayship.

Mrs. Arms was charged with running a disorderly place, and the other two with visiting a disorderly place. Harding had discovered Hayship and the Hodge woman in a room back of the restaurant kitchen. The two women were locked up, while Hayship secured his release on a \$10 cash bond, which he forfeited by failing to appear in police court.

Mrs. Arms pleaded not guilty to the charge against her, and claimed that when she left the kitchen to go out into the dining room to wait upon several men who had ordered sandwiches, Mrs. Hodge was busy cutting bread, and that Hayship had slipped back into the kitchen and to the room at the rear unnoticed by her. She said the first she knew of anything wrong taking place, was when the officer stepped in and called her attention to the couple. She said because of her limited means and to save rent, she had partitioned off a bed room in the rear of the kitchen, enclosing it with curtains. She said she was divorced from her husband, who is living in Kentucky.

"The city hospital will not likely be included in our visits this year, as the singing was said to have disturbed the patients last year," said Rev. Horst, Friday. Not only will institutions be visited, but stops will

be made on various street corners, and spread Christmas joy city-wide.

"The start will be made from the Second Presbyterian church shortly after eleven o'clock. A route has been outlined, but will not be announced, as the choir means to arrive at the institutions and surprise the inmates. Join the choir Sunday evening."

Firemen Improving

Warren Zubars, Jack Ashley and Albert Saunders, members of the Seventh street fire company, who were injured Wednesday afternoon when a hose stand broke